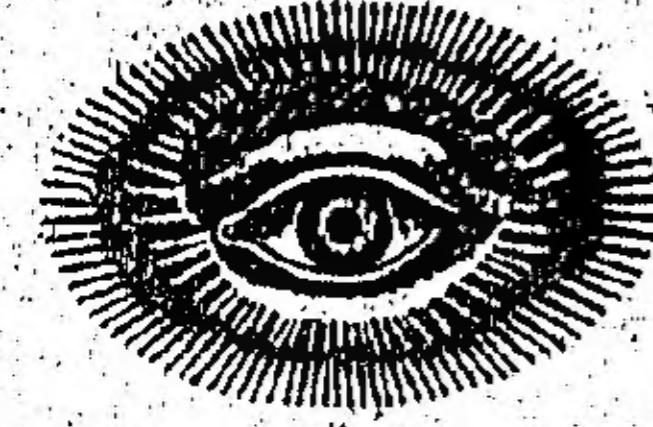


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## MORE FOREIGN FORCES COMING.

## AMERICAN FIGHTING PLANES.

## DEVELOPMENTS AT WUHU AND HANKOW.

## TWO U.S. CONSULATES TO BE CLOSED DOWN.

## TROOPS FOR THE NORTH.

Whilst conditions at Nanking appear to be improving the situation at other Yangtze ports is becoming more tense. At Wuhu all foreign women and children have been concentrated on the hulk, and food is becoming more difficult to secure. At Hankow all the foreign banks are still closed and the strike appears to be no nearer settlement.

The American Legation at Peking has been instructed to close the Consulates at Changsha and Chunking and to withdraw gunboats from those places so soon as all Americans have been withdrawn. American anxiety has not lessened and with the 1,500 extra Marines coming East there will be an entire naval aviation squadron, consisting of 12 bombing planes and fighting planes.

There was a special meeting of the British Cabinet held yesterday, and many questions on the China crisis were answered in the House of Commons by Sir Austen Chamberlain.

More troops are leaving Hongkong for Shanghai to-day and to-morrow, and Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has asked for an interview with Admiral Williams in Shanghai to discuss arrangements for the preservation of order.

Washington, Mar. 28. The Navy Department announces that in view of the threatening position at Shanghai, Admiral Williams is concentrating there all the ships which can be spared from other points.

The developments in China over the week-end have in nowise lessened the anxiety of officials here. The mobilisation of additional Marine units is being proceeded with speedily. The 1,500 Marines who were ordered to China on Saturday are now being mobilised at Philadelphia and Fuantou and elsewhere. They will sail next week from San Diego in the transport Henderson which is hastening to San Diego from Nicaragua. This composite force, to be known as the "Sixth Regiment of Marines," will be commanded by Colonel Harold Snyder, who has a distinguished record in the Philippines and France.

Attached to the Force will be an entire naval aviation squadron, consisting of twelve bombing planes and fighting planes.—Reuter's American Service.

### FEARS AT WUHU.

Situation Grows Worse. Wuhu, Mar. 28. The atmosphere is tense and uncertain and all foreign women and children have been evacuated and concentrated on the hulk.

Food is becoming more and more difficult to secure, and things are likely to become more serious. A boycott has been threatened.

The Spanish Bishop and priests have refused to leave.—Naval Wireless.

### BETTER NANKING NEWS.

Conditions More Normal.

Nanking, Mar. 28. The Nationalists have appointed a Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, and he is reported to be tendering to call on the commander of H.M.S. Emerald.

The situation appears to have taken a turn for the better, and things are more normal to-day.

The naval craft have not been under rifle fire to-day.

Shops in the city are beginning to re-open, but the conditions at Hankow are still very uncertain.

Firing occasionally takes place, and passing steamers are still sub-

jected to fire from Kiangyan, Tongchow, and Vino Point, just below Nanking.

The British Consul-General, Mr. Bertram Giles, C.M.G., and certain British members of the Chinese Maritimes Customs and foreign firms, are remaining on board H.M.S. Emerald for the time being.—Naval Wireless.

### "ONLY VISITORS."

Troops Ordered off Steamer.

Shanghai, Mar. 28.

Nationalist troops boarded a British steamer, and when ordered to leave by the Commander of H.M.S. Cockchafer, they did so, stating that they were only visitors.—Naval Wireless.

MARSHAL CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

Wants to Meet U. S. Admiral.

Shanghai, Mar. 28.

The Cantonese naval commander, Admiral Li, visited the U. S. S. Pittsburg to-day, calling on Admiral Williams to inform him that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek desired to call on him to-morrow (Tuesday) to discuss arrangements for the preservation of order in Shanghai and district.

Admiral Li was granted an interview at ten o'clock without ceremony, and no return call will be made by Admiral Williams.

The Commune which has been established in the native city has been recognised by the Hankow Central Executive.

A message from Woosung states that H.M.S. Cricket is off Chang Wan Tang and H.M.S. Argus is in touch.—Naval Wireless.

### "KIANG WO" SEIZURE.

Nationalists Pay Compensation.

Kiukiang, March 28.

The Nationalist Commissioner of Foreign Affairs has paid \$6,500 as compensation for the commandeering of the British s.s. Kiang Wo.

The arms and ammunition which were on board have been delivered to the Commissioner, while political agents detained by the British authorities during the negotiations have been released.—Naval Wireless.

### U.S. CONSULATES CLOSING.

At Changsha and Chunking.

Peking, Mar. 28, 7.40 p.m.

Mr. Kellogg, the United States Secretary of State, has authorised the American Legation here to instruct the closing of the American Consulates at Changsha and Chunking and the withdrawal of gunboats from those places so soon as an opportunity has been given for the remaining Americans to withdraw.—Reuter.

### FRENCH CONCESSION.

No Request by Britain.

Paris, Mar. 28.

As regards the French Concession at Shanghai, the Foreign Office here describes as unfounded the reports that the French are being subordinated to other authorities in Shanghai. It is desired that the British authorities have kept sole command. The Foreign Office adds that the local French authorities had been given all they had asked for to assure the defence of the Concession, and that the Government will continue to furnish those on the spot with whatever they might deem necessary.—Reuter.

### NATIONALIST OUTRAGES.

Reliable Nanking Statements.

Peking, Mar. 28, 7.40 p.m.

It is officially announced from Nanking that an examination of the depositions and statements by reliable American witnesses proves that among the serious outrages committed by Nationalist soldiers were at least two cases of attempted criminal assault against American women. There were several other cases only a shade less serious.—Reuter.

### SOVIET ACTIVITY.

Allegations from Peking.

Peking, March 29.

There are allegations in many quarters that the Soviet has distributed considerable sums in Peking during the past month for agitation purposes.

The Police are most active in hunting out agitators and suspects and are closely scrutinising the newspapers and news agencies to prevent pro-Southern propaganda.

Numbers of Americans, who have hitherto been pro-Nationalist, are modifying their views considerably, as a result of the Nanking incident. Some of them are apprehensive despite official assurances and are sending their families out of China.—Reuter.

### SHANGHAI DEFENCE.

Troops From Hongkong.

British forces in Shanghai are to be strengthened by the despatch in the next two days of two Brigades of Artillery and the 1st Bn. Green Howards.

The Headquarters and 1st Field Brigade R.A., the Headquarters and 4th Pack Brigade R.A., and the Royal Artillery Signals are embarking on board the s.s. Bellerophon to-day. Lieut. Col. Grant D.S.O., R.A., will be in command of the troops on board the Bellerophon, which will depart as soon as possible after embarkation.

### TO-DAY.

Dollar on demand 1/11 13/16

Lighting-up 6.37 p.m.

(Continued on page 12.)

### BRITISH SOLDIER DROWNED.

### BATHING TRAGEDY IN NEW TERRITORIES.

### BODY NOT RECOVERED.

A tragedy, involving the death of a young signalman of the 18th Infantry Brigade, in the New Territories, last Friday has been disclosed in an official police report received this morning.

It is stated that Signalman C. E. Scarlett, who belonged to the Signal Section of the 18th Infantry

Brigade, was drowned while bathing in the Shueungshui stream on Friday afternoon, his clothes being afterwards found at a spot about a thousand yards to the north of the Police Station of the district.

Shueungshui stream is a tributary of the main Shumchun River, which marks the boundary between British and Chinese territory. It is presumed that the body of the unfortunate signalman has since been carried out to sea.

The deceased was only 21 years of age. He was billeted with the other members of the Signal Section at the Fanling Golf Club camp.

### SMALL-POX TOLL.

### NINE DEATHS LAST WEEK.

Out of a total number of 18 cases of small-pox notified during last week, there were nine deaths. All the sufferers were Chinese, two of the cases being imported.

There were six cases of diphtheria reported (one Portuguese, five Chinese) and two of these cases proved fatal.

There were also five fresh cases of typhoid fever (one Portuguese, one Japanese and three Chinese). This disease accounted for four deaths during the week.

There were three fatal cases of cerebro-spinal fever, all the victims being Chinese from the City district.

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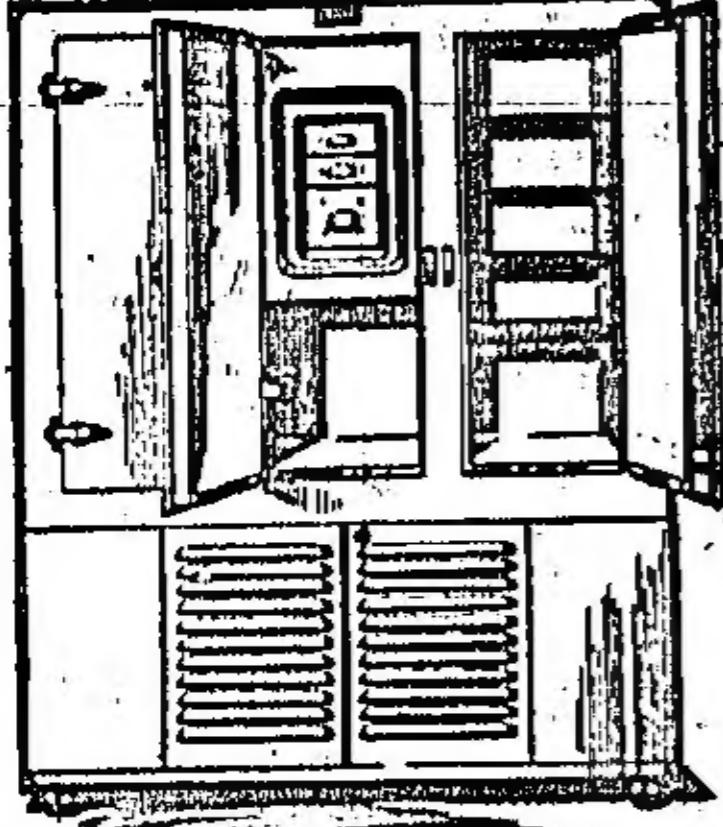
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## HAUL OF HEROIN.

### TWO PERSONS CHARGED.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. T. S. White-Smith prosecuted on behalf of the Crown in a case in which a man named G. Stanigross and a woman known as Mrs. H. B. Kamien were charged with possession of 560 taels of heroin.

Mr. F. G. Vaux represented the first defendant and Mr. Leo D'Almaida o Castro defended the woman.

The case for the prosecution was outlined by Mr. White-Smith who explained that the Atsuta Maru came into port here on March 21 at about 5.30 p.m. and the second defendant was a second class passenger from Marseilles. At that time the first defendant was waiting with the crowd on the wharf and when the boat came alongside he was seen to go on board.

The authorities had received information regarding the defendants and they had him observed. After going on board the first defendant proceeded to the second class deck where he met the second defendant. He took her arm and together they proceeded to the after part of the ship. Nothing particular was noticed on that day, but the next day the two defendants were seen together on the wharf and officers on the ship noticed them coming on board.

### In the Baggage Room.

After they had gone on board Senior Revenue Officer Watt went to a first class cabin and saw the first defendant in his room. The Revenue Officer informed the defendant that he wanted to search his room and was allowed to do so. S.R.O. Watt, however, left Revenue Officer Lannigan with the first defendant and he himself went to the second class to search Mrs. Kamien's room. He was told that the keys to all the trunks were handed over to the first defendant.

The Revenue Officer then took the woman to the first defendant and when the keys were produced he opened up the woman's luggage and bags. He found a receipt for a trunk from Thos. Cook & Sons from Marseilles and asked the woman where the trunk was.

The baggage master soon located the trunk in the baggage room and when S.R.O. Watt examined it, he discovered a false back to it. Otherwise the trunk contained ordinary articles of clothing. At this stage, Mr. White-Smith emphasised the point that although the trunk bore the name of Mrs. Kamien, articles were found in the trunk which Stanigross claimed to be his.

### Tried to Jump Into Sea.

The two persons were arrested and were taken over to Hongkong. Their luggage was taken to S.R.O. Watt's office. On the wharf in Kowloon, the first defendant tried to jump into the sea, but was prevented from doing so.

When the false back of the trunk was removed, 80 packages of heroin was discovered, each package, according to Mr. Taylor's analysis, containing seven taels.

After the defendants were handed over to Police custody, Revenue Officer Watt again searched the two defendants' baggage and found two girdles with little pockets in it which would be suitable for smuggling the heroin ashore. There were also found four pieces of a woman's underwear which contained 22 pockets; each pocket was the same size as the packets of heroin discovered in the trunk. A new box of safety pins was also discovered and these pins no doubt would be used to pin down the pockets when the heroin was being smuggled ashore. Another incriminating article found in the baggage was a set of carpenter's tools, which obviously were for the purpose of removing the screw from the false bottom.

Mr. Vaux asked for an adjournment as he wished to consult his client before opening the defence. He asked his Worship to grant him the right to reserve cross-examination until the next hearing. Mr. Almada also intimated that he would like an adjournment and his Worship adjourned the case until this afternoon.

## E.A.S.M.A. PRESENTATION.

### DEPARTURE OF CAPTAIN T. T. LAURENSEN, D.S.O.

At the Enigma Club last evening, a presentation was made to Captain T. T. Laurenson, D.S.C., the retiring president of the Association, before an enthusiastic gathering of members.

Colonel Hayley Bell, the newly elected president, made a laudatory speech, eulogising the work of Captain Laurenson in the presidency and expressed it as the opinion, that it was mainly through the efforts of the retiring president that the Association was held in such high esteem. He felt that he would have difficulty in filling the shoes of Captain Laurenson, but with such an example, he could not but do well.

Mr. H. J. Pearce, chairman of the committee then made the presentation, the gift being a red morocco cased travelling clock, with a silver plate suitably engraved, recording Captain Laurenson's services to the Association and Club. In his valedictory speech, Mr. Pearce referred to the untiring services of Captain Laurenson, who, he said, had the best interests of the ex-Service at heart.

Captain Laurenson replied briefly, he being visibly affected by the warmth of his "send off." A clock, to him, represented something that had to be obeyed. Hitherto he had always kept his own timepiece some 10 minutes fast, but with this excellent gift, he felt sure he could keep his appointments and never fall in the virtue of punctuality.

Three cheers were then given and the proceedings closed with the singing of "He's a Jolly Good Fellow" and the health of Captain Laurenson was drunk by the assembled members with acclamation.

Captain T. T. Laurenson, is perhaps best known as the Branch Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild. During the late war he commanded the 47th Division of the Auxiliary Patrol in the North Sea, and for his services was invested with the Distinguished Service Cross. He leaves by S.S. Empress of Canada at 5 p.m. to-morrow, on nine months' leave of absence, followed by the good wishes of his many friends and old comrades, who recognise his sterling worth, both as an ex-Serviceman and a director of the lines of coastal seafarers.

Mr. White Smith also pointed out that the first defendant had stated of his own accord that he had arrived from Shanghai on the Empress of Canada. A first class passage ticket by the Atsuta Maru for Japan was found amongst his luggage.

### Hundred Thousand Doses.

Mr. H. A. Taylor and Senior Revenue Officer Watt both gave evidence from the witness box which corroborated Mr. White-Smith's opening remarks. Mr. Taylor said that there was enough heroin for 100,000 doses strong enough to kill.

After hearing thus far, Mr. Lindsell remarked that he did not see that the Crown had made a case against the first defendant, as it was not proved to his satisfaction that he was actually in possession of the drug at the time of his arrest. The mere possession of a key to a trunk which somebody else owned did not appear to him as sufficient evidence of possession. He was prepared to hear Mr. White Smith further on that point.

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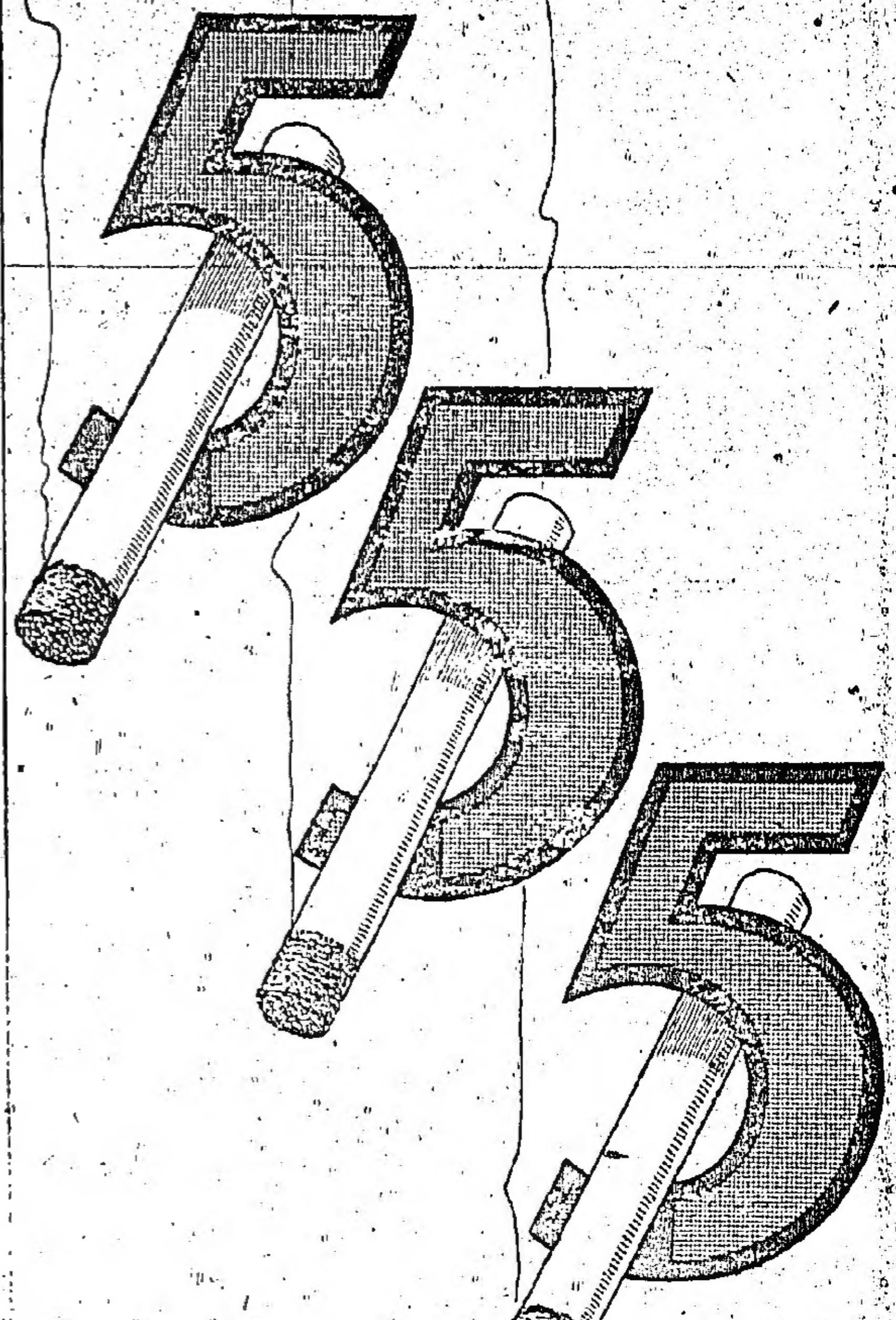
### NEW GENERAL AGENT FOR HONGKONG.

Among the passengers for Hongkong by s.s. President Hayes was Mr. T. B. Wilson, the newly appointed general agent for the Dollar and American Mail Lines, who has been chosen to succeed Mr. Don Tindall here.

Mr. T. B. Wilson was at one time the agent for the Lines in Manila and was then appointed to Kobe. On the expiration of the leadership of Mr. E. L. Matteson, the late general agent in Hongkong, Mr. Matteson was appointed to Kobe and Mr. T. B. Wilson comes to the local office from Kobe.

While addressing a meeting at Newbottle, Durham, Mr. James Ramsden, who at one time unsuccessfully contested the Bishop Auckland division as a Liberal, collapsed and died.

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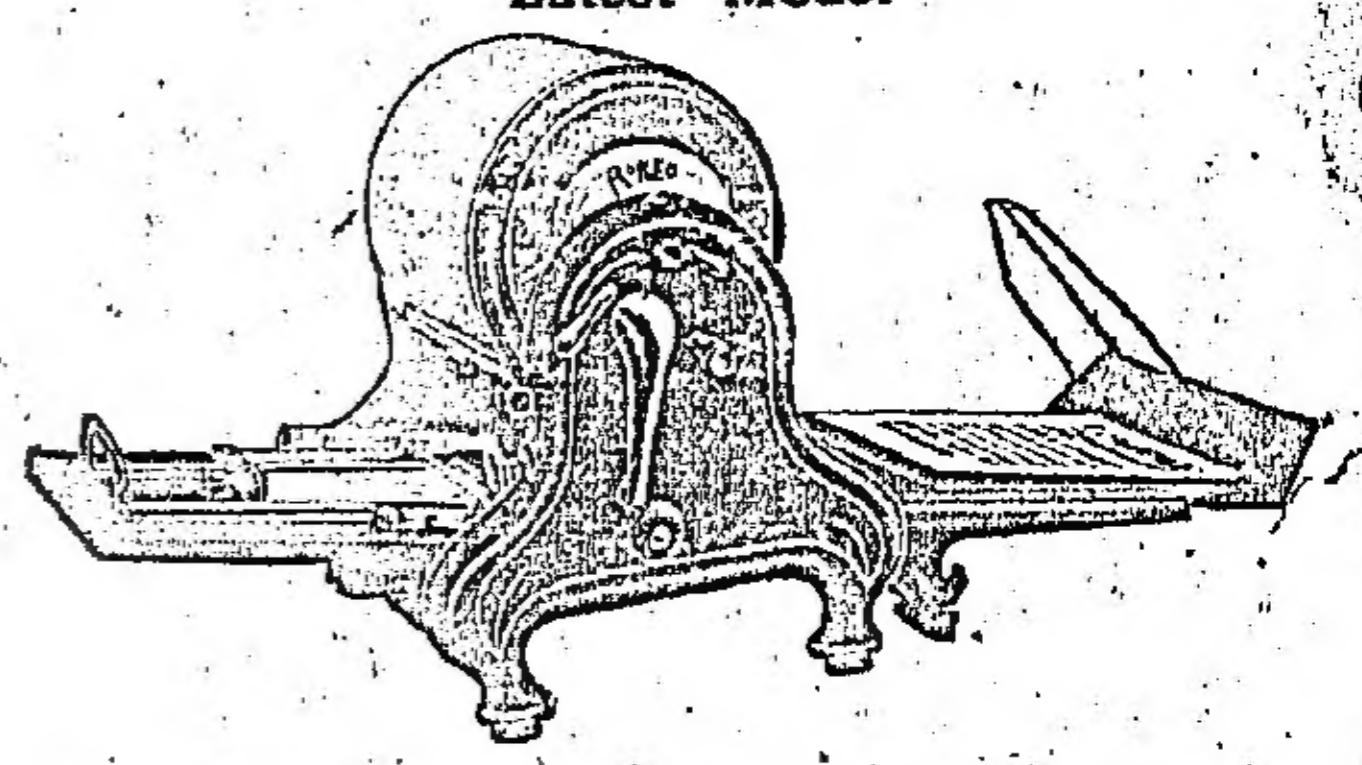


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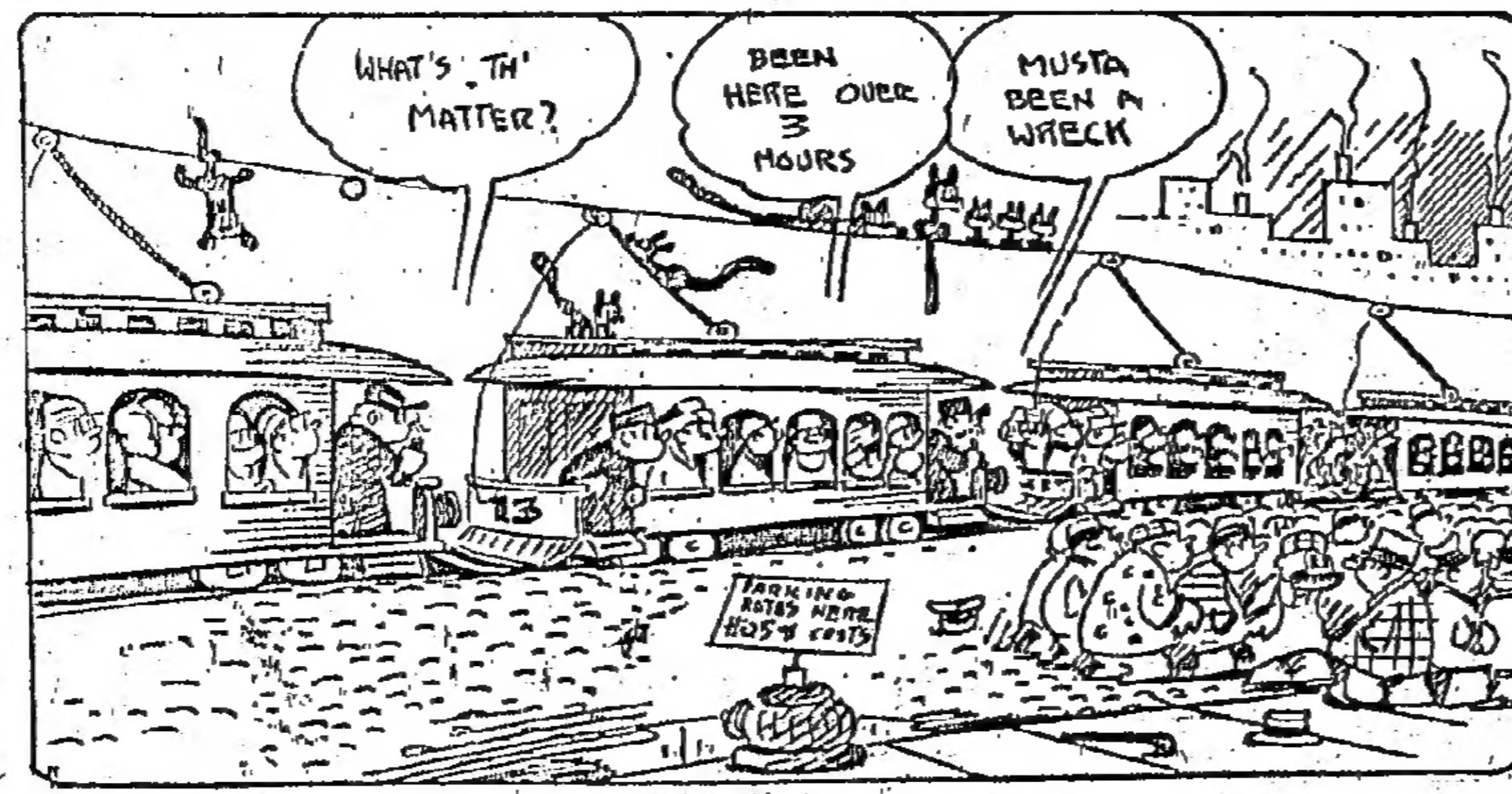
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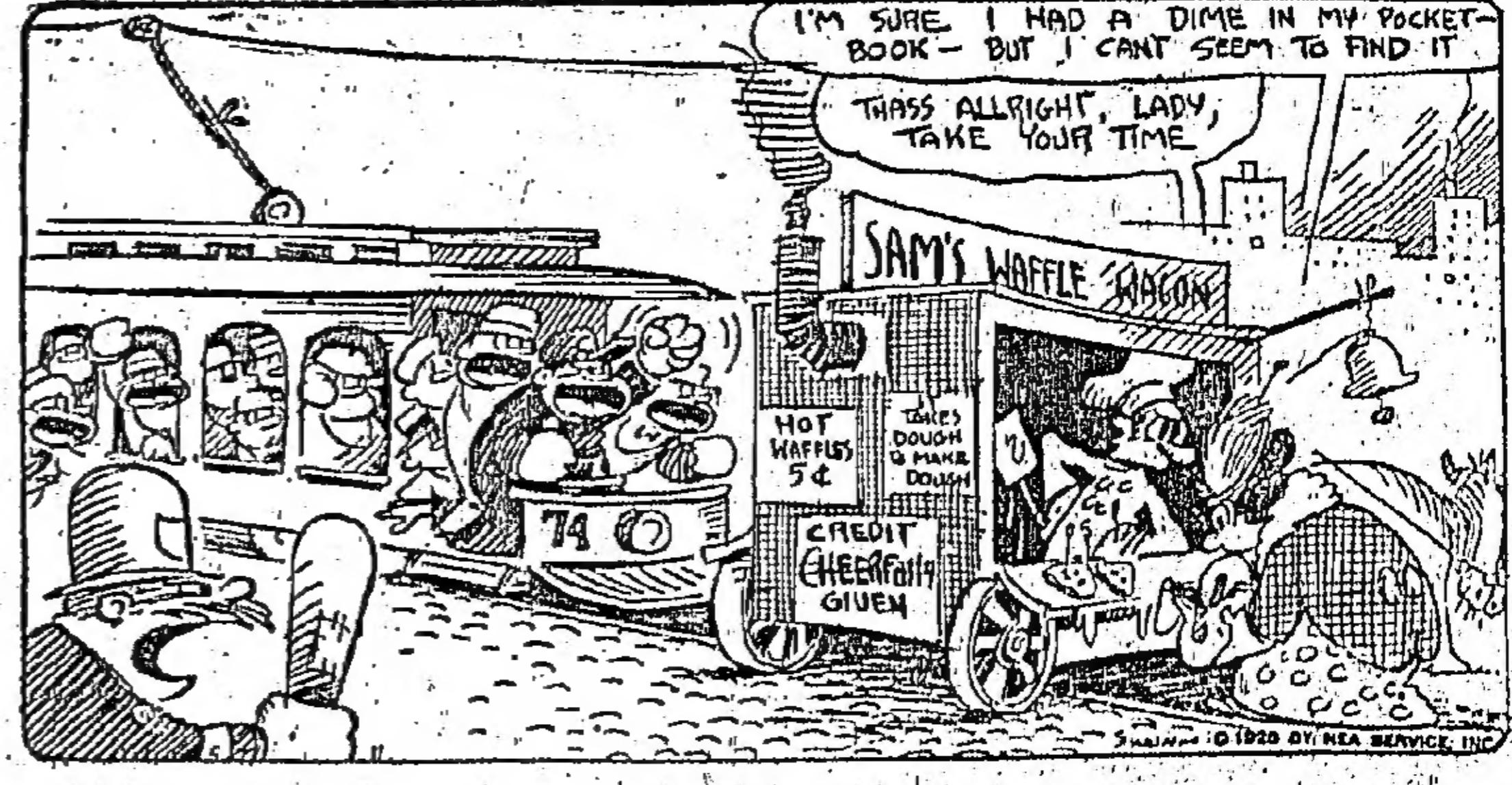
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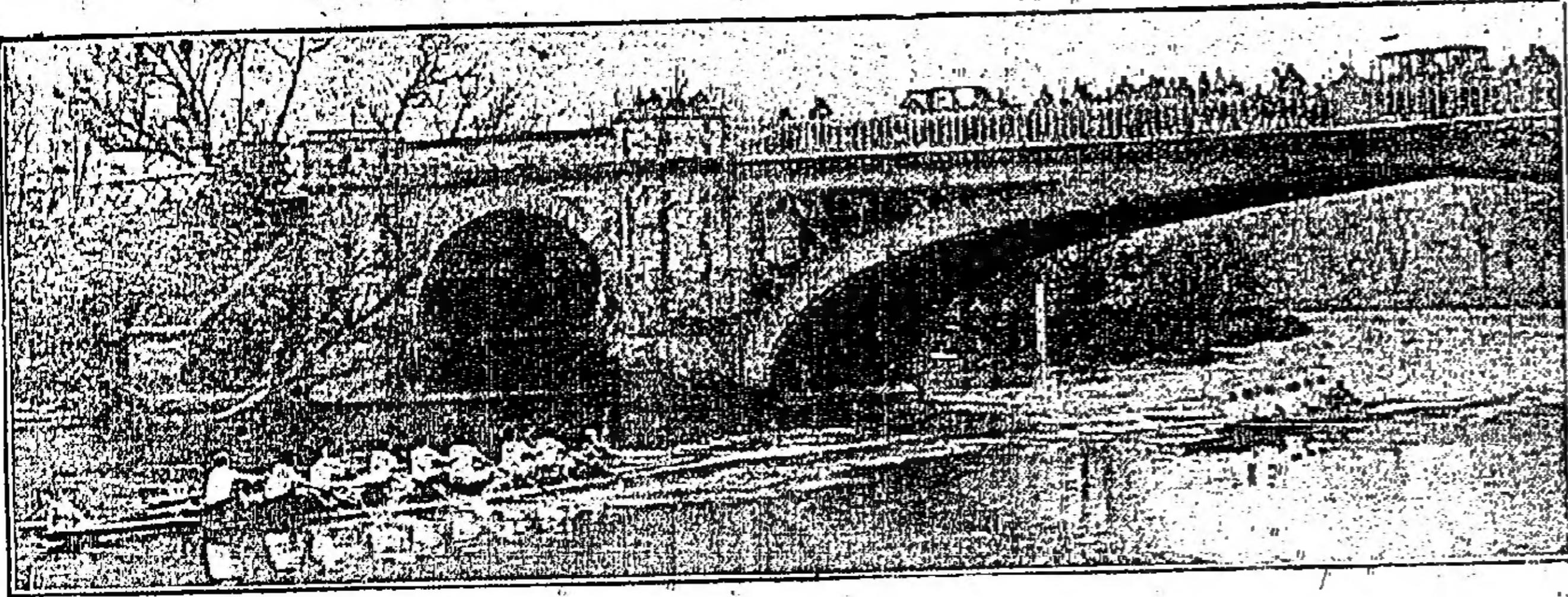
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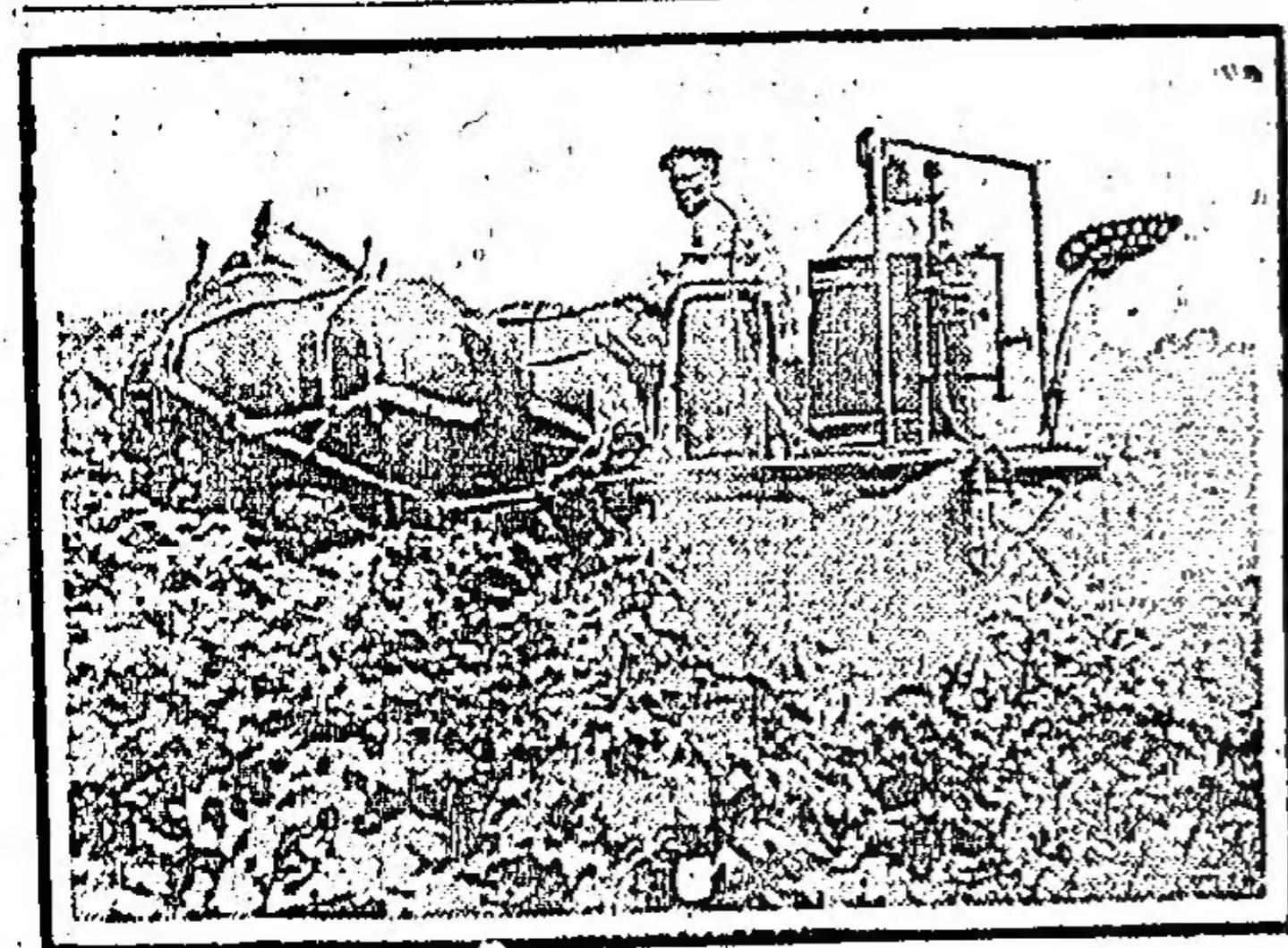
GOLF ACROSS U.S.A.—Don Grahame of Mobile, Alabama, has started a cross-country golf tournament of his own. Across the 2,000 miles from Mobile to the Pacific coast Grahame is trekking, driving a golf ball in front of him. He estimates his score will be around 1,500-000. This picture of Grahame, taken as he started out, shows him with a trophy he recently won.



ROYAL VISIT.—A visit was paid by the King and Queen on February 19, to the East Hill Estates, Wandsworth, which is being developed by the London County Council for housing purposes. Several occupied and unoccupied houses were inspected by Their Majesties. (Times copy, right.)



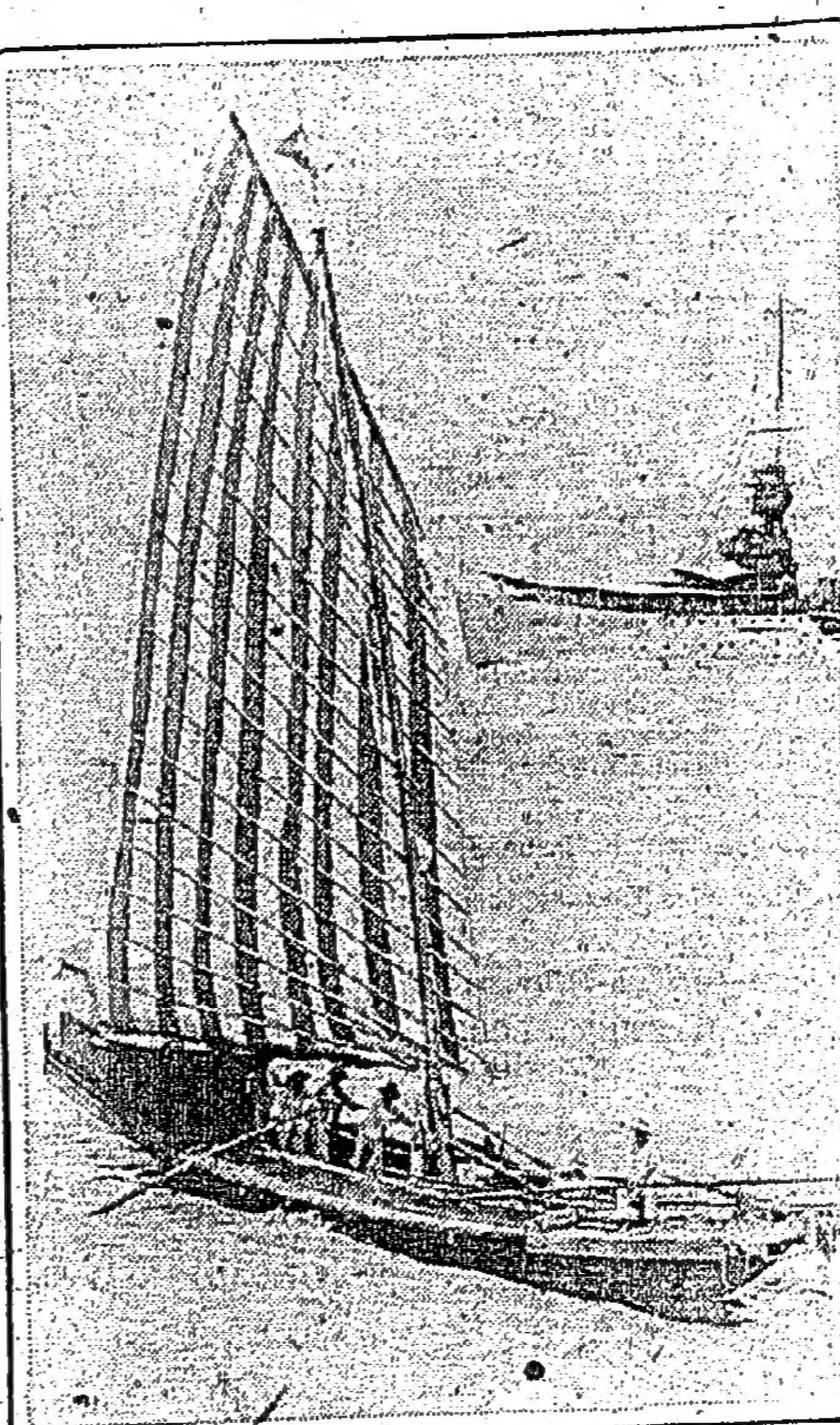
ETON TRIAL EIGHTS.—The crews at Victoria Bridge, Datchet, during the Eton Trial Eights on February 19. The Light Blue crew (right) won by one and a half lengths. (Times copyright.)



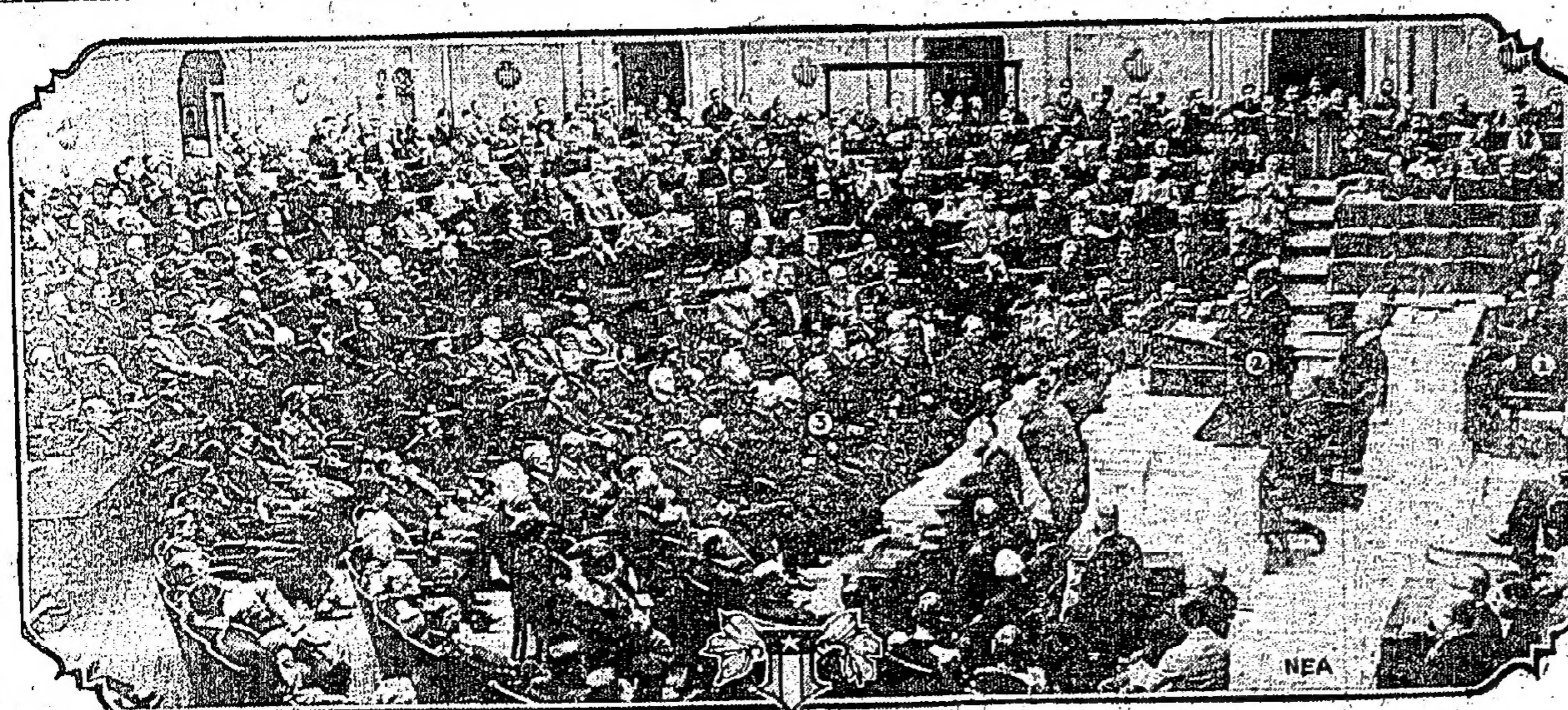
NEW STEAM SPRAYER.—A steam sprayer able to spread a thin film of liquid and use only five gallons of spraying solution on an area which formerly required 100 to 200 gallons from high-pressure air sprayers is the invention of R. W. Leiby, of Raleigh, U.S.A. Here it is shown in action.



CRUFT'S DOG SHOW.—Our picture shows The King's Cumber Spaniel, Sandringham Spruce, winner of a first prize at Cruft's Dog Show, Islington. (Times copy, right.)



SEEN AT SHANGHAI.—This striking picture taken in the bay at Shanghai might be entitled "When East Meets West." The queor-shaped Chinese sailing junk with its colourful sail and of the same type used in the days of Confucius is shown passing one of the most modern British battleships.



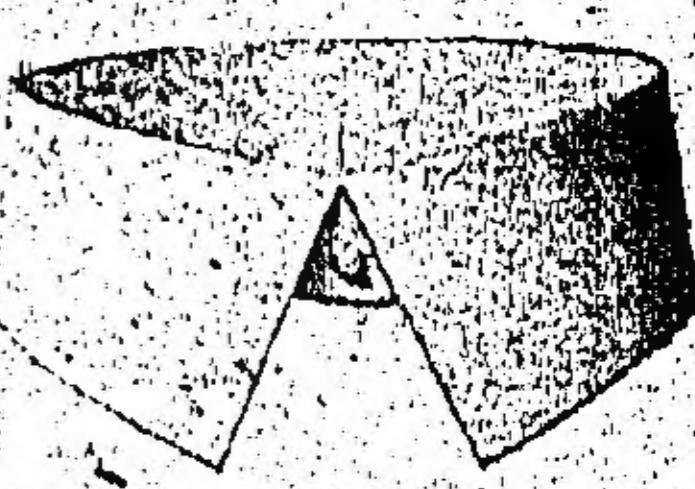
IN HONOUR OF WASHINGTON.—President Coolidge (2) delivering his Washington's birthday speech to an extraordinary assemblage of statesmen, legislators, diplomats and other governmental celebrities in the chamber of the House of Representatives at the Capitol. Because of the unusual clarity of the photograph most of the dignitaries in it are easily recognizable. Presiding, are Speaker Longworth (1), to whose right, unseen, sits Vice-president Dawes, and immediately in front of the President, facing him in a semi-circle, are the justices of the supreme court (3), with Chief Justice Taft at their right. Next to him is Secretary of the Treasury Mellon and then Secretary of War Davis. Through the microphones aligned on the reading desk before him, the President's words were broadcast throughout 42 radio stations to incalculable listeners-in.

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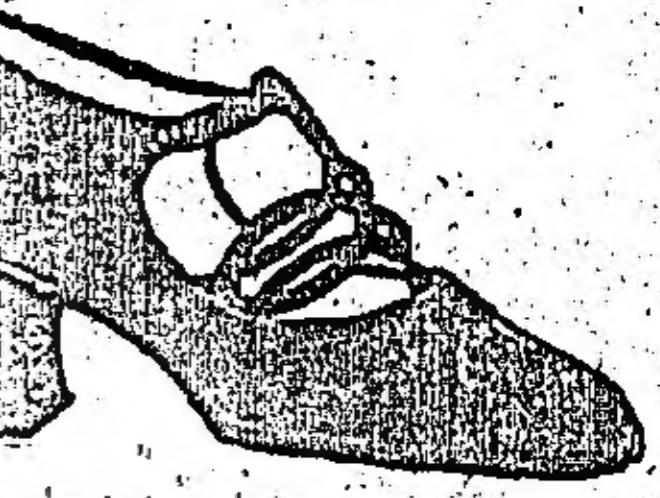
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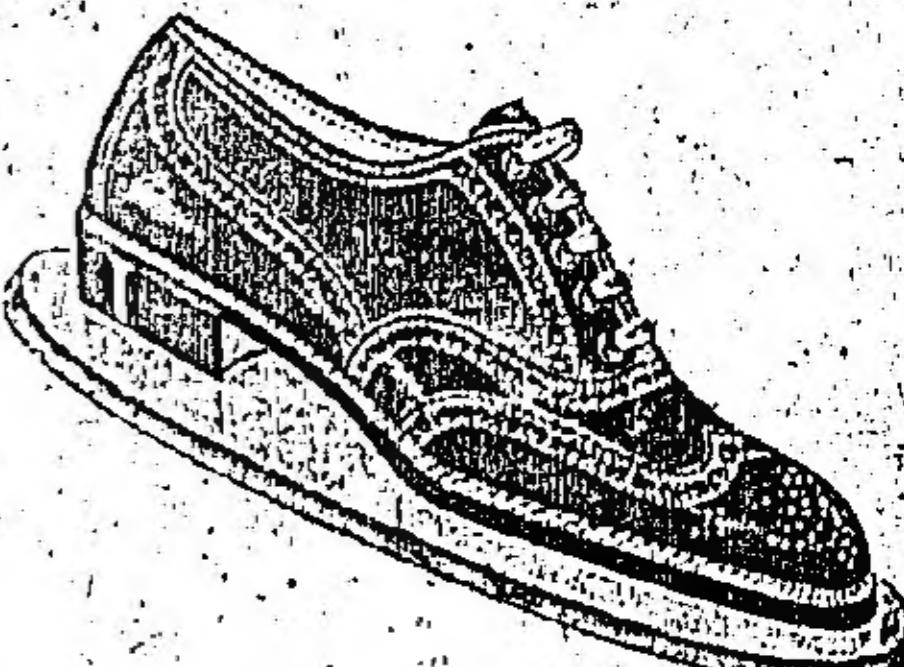
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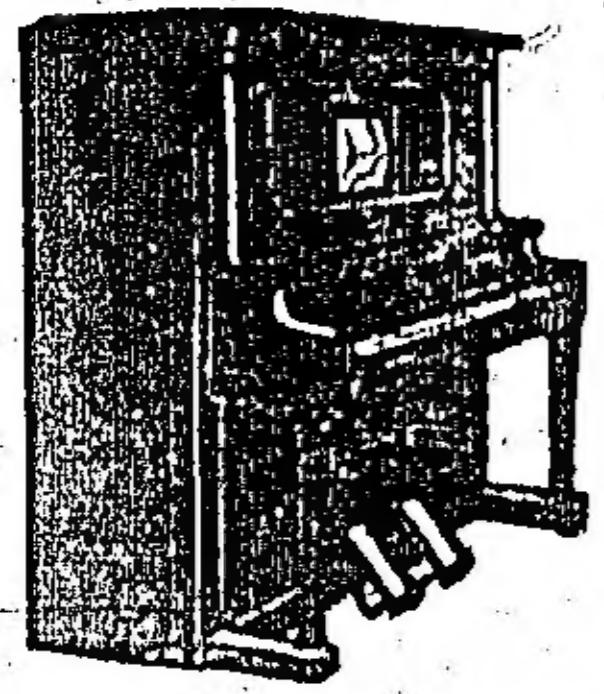
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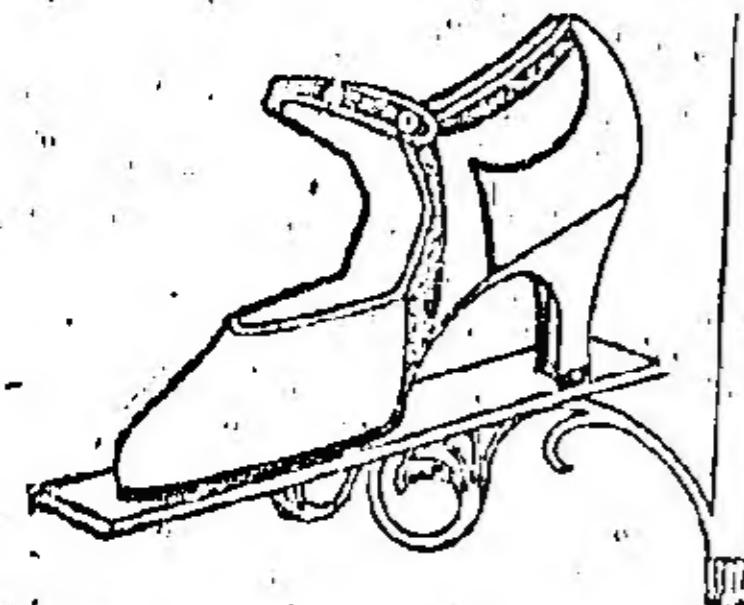
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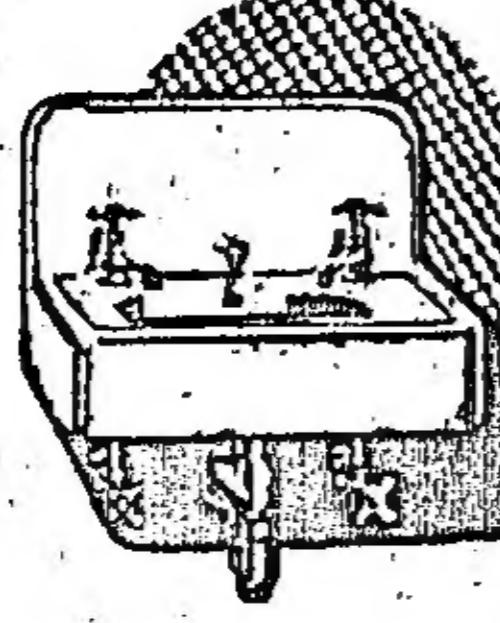
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## CHINA CRISIS.

## OVERNIGHT TELEGRAMS.

Washington, Mar. 27.  
The latest message from Admiral Williams to the Navy Department describes the situation at Shanghai as "very tense," and informs the Department that additional American forces have been landed to assist in the defense of the Settlement against the threatened outbreaks of mob violence.—*Reuter's American Service*.

## Anti-Foreignism.

Shanghai, Mar. 28.  
Growing anti-foreignism is noticeable in the native districts of Shanghai, where Nationalist soldiers and others are making speeches denouncing foreigners, particularly the British.

It is noted that most of the numerous leaflets and handbills broadcast in connexion with the Nanking bombardment fix the responsibility on the British, and do not mention America.

A boycott of British goods and the calling out of all Britishers' employees are among the reprisals which agitators are now advocating.—*Reuter*.

## Evacuating Hankow.

Shanghai, March 28.  
6.25 p.m.

The reports that conditions are getting worse at Hankow are borne out by Japanese messages stating that Japanese women and children residing in the native city there are taking refuge in the Japanese Concession and preparing to board steamers.

American women and children have already left.

The Japanese gunboat Adaka left for Hankow this morning. Delayed messages from Hankow show that the Labour Unions there as in Shanghai are completely dominating the situation.—*Reuter*.

## Home Press Comments.

London, Mar. 28.  
The *Daily News* says the proper comment on the Nanking affair is that what happened was what everybody expected to happen. Unprotected Europeans ought to have been evacuated, as could easily have been done before the crisis arose.—*Reuter*.

## Nationalist Methods Exposed.

London, March 28.  
9.50 a.m.

To say least, remarks the *Times* in an editorial, it is unlikely that further successes will inspire the Southern Government with unwanted moderation in their methods, which are now sufficiently exposed for all but the wilfully blind to understand them, and to realize that the British Government was the first to foresee the recent developments, and to take the necessary steps to defend their nationals wherever possible from the worst results of the very dangerous tactics to which the Cantonese, instigated by Soviet agents, have rashly committed themselves.

## Labour's Failure.

It declares that the events of the past week fully justified the despatch of troops and regrets that it was necessary for Sir John Simon to well-deservedly rebuke the majority of the official opposition for their grievous failure to rise to the occasion and proclaim a desire that the Government should continue to protect innocent Britishers in China.

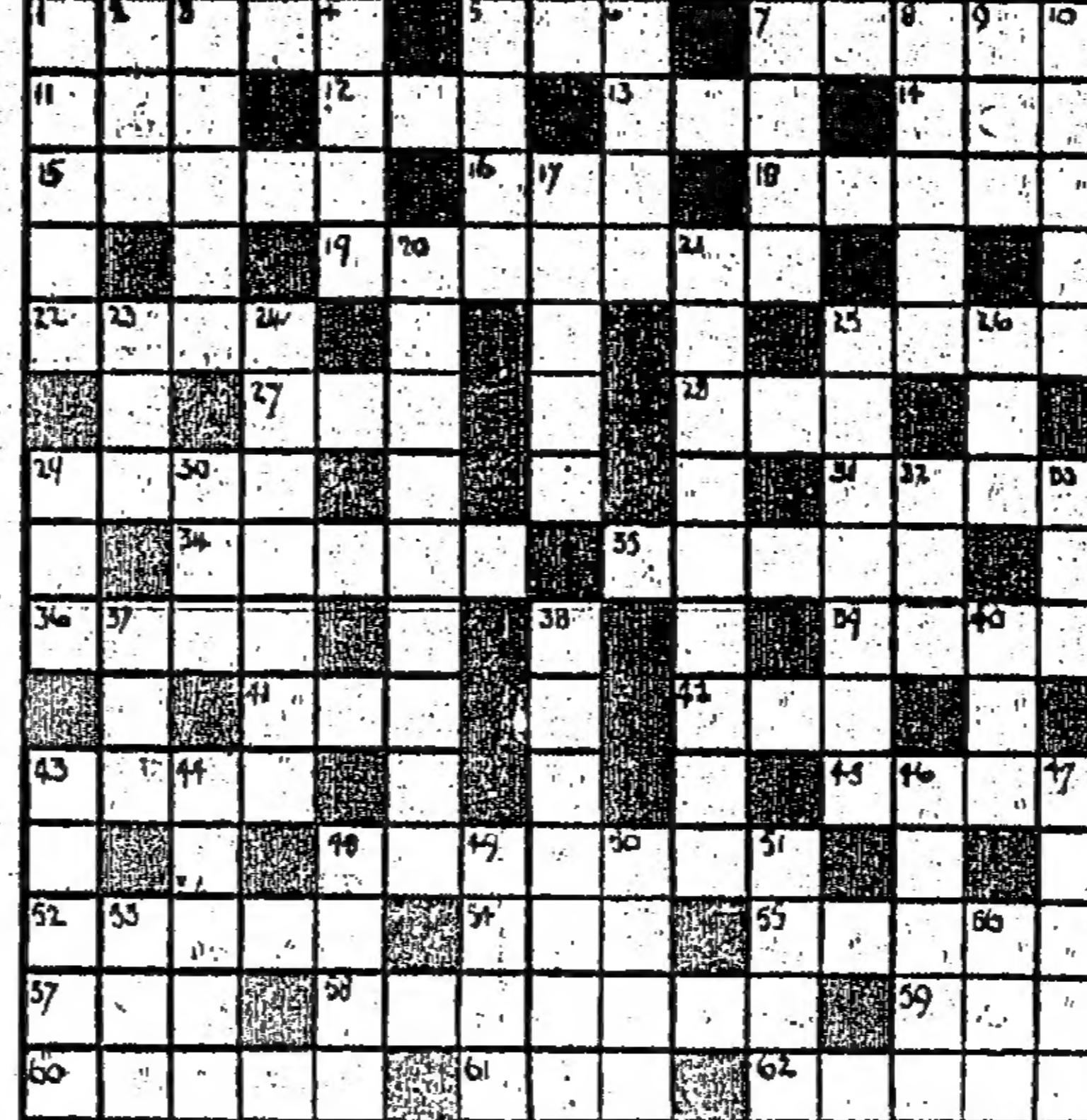
The allusion to Sir John Simon is in connexion with his week-end speech at Cleckheaton, in which he solemnly proclaimed himself as profoundly grateful to the Government for their prompt action in sending troops to China. He added: "It is the duty of every politician, of whatever party, to make at this moment a perfectly definite declaration such as I have just made."—*Reuter*.

## Negotiations Impossible.

London, March 28.  
10.55 a.m.

From a practical point of view we should realize that the half of China with which we are predominantly concerned is already under a single authority and in a sense the way is cleared for a

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



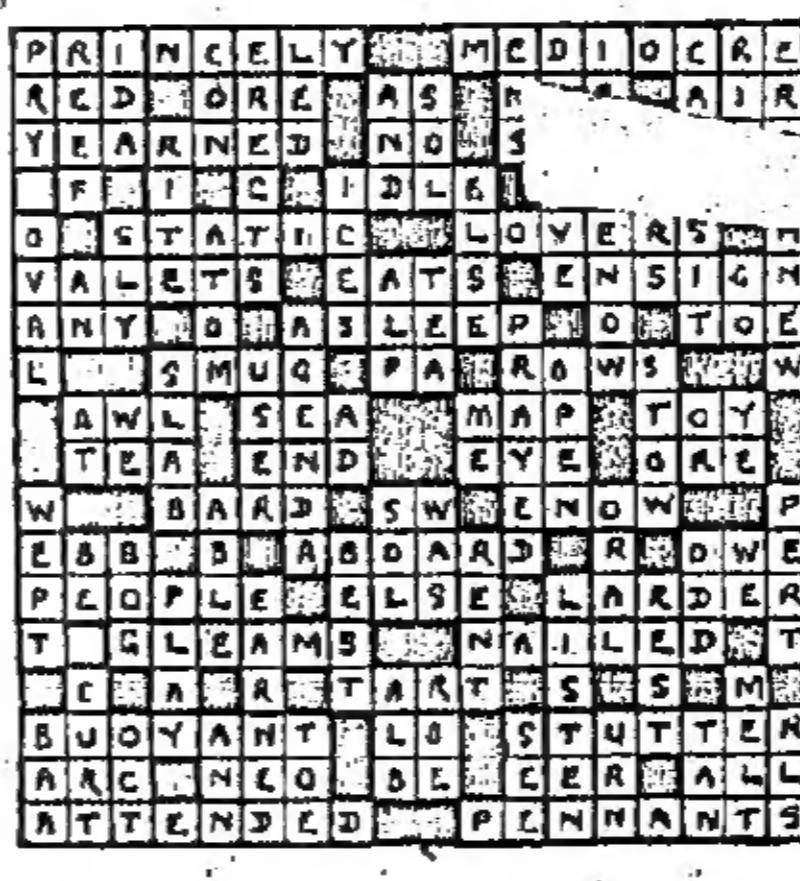
## Across.

1. Companions.  
2. Decoy.  
3. Pale yellow.  
4. Poetical name for gold.  
5. Evening.  
6. Aged.  
7. Grain.  
8. Courage.  
9. Tree with trembling leaves.  
10. Soil.  
11. Sister's or brother's sons.  
12. Period.  
13. Ex-Emperor of Russia.  
14. Essential to rowing.  
15. Anger.  
16. Small drink.  
17. Inhabitant of media.  
18. Narrativa.  
19. Hulta.  
20. Dale.  
21. Guide.  
22. Of the feline family.  
23. Turkish weight.  
24. Entire.  
25. Market for goods.  
26. Turkish provinces.  
27. Provided with tiles.  
28. Bow the head slightly.  
29. Sharp quick sound.  
30. Not false.  
31. Elev. 4,500 mountain pass.  
32. River of oblivion (Myth).  
33. Skill.  
34. Flat sheet of metal.

## Down.

1. Coin.  
2. Hui's existence.  
3. Earth (Latin).  
4. Beheld.  
5. Cut with a scythe.  
6. Fish like the shark.  
7. Shot poems.  
8. Grow on the heads of some animals.

## Yesterday's Puzzle.



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## French Defence Criticised.

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The discovery of an armed Chinese in a cafe in the French Concession is editorially commented on in this morning's *Journal* which draws two deductions from the incident.

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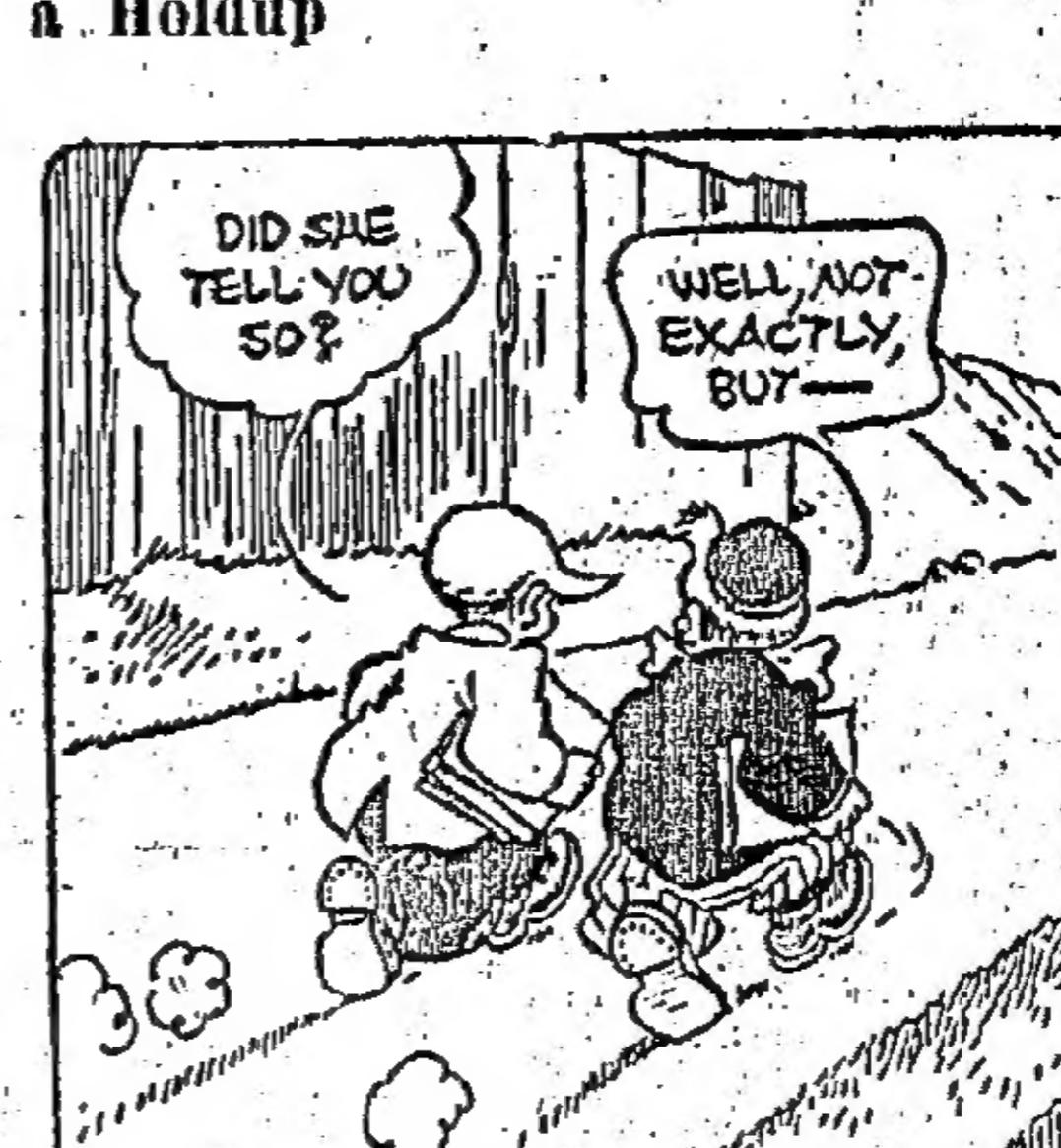
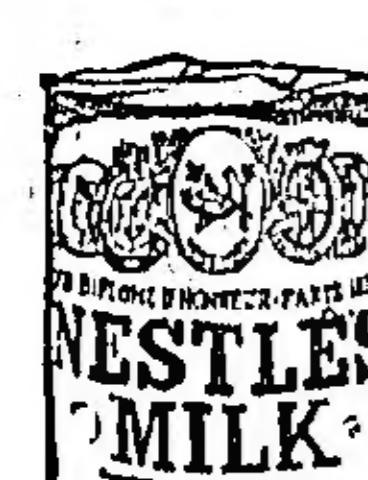
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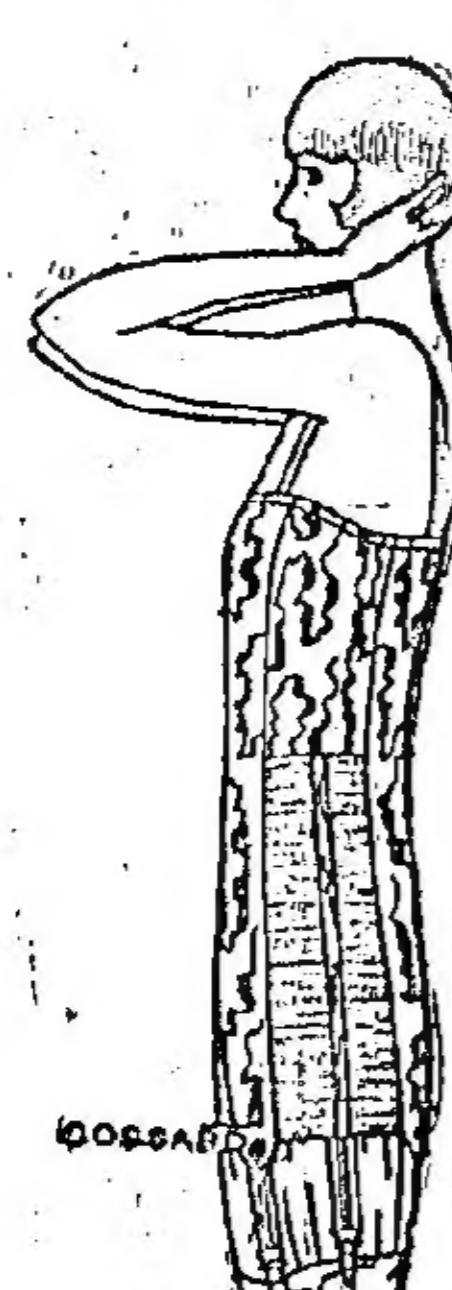
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Blanchett, Theodore Oswald,  
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Charles Lammert, Shameen,  
to Phrose Dolores, second daughter  
of Capt. and Mrs. Quitzow,  
Norwood, London. (Home &  
China papers please copy.)

The Hongkong Telegraph.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29 1927.

CHANG AND THE  
POWERS.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin's implacable hostility to the Bolsheviks and his stern refusal to have anything at all to do with the South or Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, so long as the Russians are in command of those two influences, are strictly in line with his past utterances, and there will be few among foreign observers who will not wish him well in his campaign against what he regards as evil forces. But when he declares that he needs foreign co-operation in his fight against the South he requests more than he can hope to receive—at least from Britain. It is not a secret that Marshal Chang has been calling at several of the Legations in Peking, and that he has been given to understand by the British Minister that not on any account can Britain depart from her line of strict neutrality in the present Chinese civil war. There are doubtless many people of the opinion, in view of very recent happenings, that the spread of the Nationalists' power is (by reason of their close association with and subjection to Russian influences) a very undesirable development, but whether we share those views or not there will be few Britishers in favour of taking sides in what is purely Chinese matter. Marshal Chang Tso-lin must fight his own battles, but he will at the same time have earned the respect of foreigners if he succeeds in carrying out his undertaking to afford all the protection possible to foreign life and property. That is more than the Nationalists have done, and judging by the latest news from Shanghai, it would now seem that the Nationalist forces there are becoming openly anti-foreign. The problem of the Powers in China is not in any way associated with the fluctuating fortunes of the

## United in Defence.

The Chinese Nationalist propagandists are still bent on seeking to keep the Powers apart in any efforts that may be taken to deal with the present crisis. So much is apparent from the fact that literature being distributed in Shanghai places the blame on Britain for the Nanking bombardment and is aimed at the starting of a big anti-British boycott. This is an obvious effort to try to keep in the good graces of the United States, but after what has just happened in Nanking we cannot conceive of America having any illusions regarding Nationalist responsibility for the terrible outrages committed last week. The situation at Nanking had, in fact, reached such a pitch that united action by Britain and America was imperative. The American Admiral fully concurred in the action taken, and American warships participated in the bombardment which had the effect of cutting off the Nationalist troops and thus saving the lives of fully a hundred foreigners. In all that was done, the British and American forces stood in solid unity, and we have not the slightest doubt that, if further incidents occur which necessitate the course, the same line of action will be taken. The point which the Chinese Nationalists appear to overlook is that there is a limit to foreign patience and forbearance. It is idle for the trouble-makers to seek to keep the Powers apart in moments of real crisis such as the present. The manner in which the situation is now developing inevitably brings the Powers closer together in defence of their common interests. And that is one of the most hopeful outgrowths of the grim crisis.



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to-day by the s.s. *President*  
Madison.

The B.I. s.s. *Tilawa*, which left  
Singapore on Saturday, is due here  
at 7 a.m. on Friday.

The Ben Line s.s. *Benrooch*,  
from Home ports and the Straits,  
is due here on April 2nd.

To-day being Settlement Day on  
the local Stock Exchange, no  
quotations have been issued.

The P. and O. liner *Malwa* left  
Singapore at 9 a.m. on Sunday and  
is due here at 6 a.m. on Thursday.

The local weather forecast up  
to noon to-morrow is:—East or  
variable winds, moderate; over-  
cast, rain, fog.

The Legislative Council is to  
meet on Thursday afternoon, when  
five Ordinances are due to come up  
for consideration.

The annual sports of the St.  
Paul's College students in the Great Hall  
of the University on Saturday at  
7.30 p.m.

This morning's Harbour Office  
returns gave 11 arrivals and 14  
departures, leaving 68 vessels in  
harbour, of which 23 were British.

Mr. W. W. Horne, C.I.E., is to  
present the prizes to St. Stephen's  
College students in the Great Hall  
of the University on Saturday at  
7.30 p.m.

Among passengers departing by  
the Empress of Canada to-morrow  
is Mr. W. T. Daley, of the C.P.R.  
passenger department, who has  
been appointed to Kobe.

The forthcoming wedding is an-  
nounced of Mr. James Koy, Inspec-  
tor of Wireless Telegraphy, resid-  
ing at No. 43 Kowloon Tong, to  
Miss Esther Rosalind Chan, resid-  
ing at 312 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

The fourth man charged in con-  
nection with a robbery at 6, West  
Street, Quarry Bay, on February  
19th, concluded at the Criminal  
Sessions yesterday, when the ac-  
cused was sent to prison for two  
years with hard labour.

The case in which Chan Chin-  
kwan was charged at the Criminal  
Sessions with the theft of a ciga-  
rette case and cigar cutter, the  
property of Mr. L. M. S. Lloyd, of  
the A.P.C., concluded yesterday  
afternoon, when the accused was  
sentenced to six months' hard  
labour.

At the Marine Court this morn-  
ing, the mistress of a trading  
junk pleaded guilty to navigating  
the harbour without regulation  
lights and was fined \$15, with the  
alternative of two weeks' im-  
prisonment with hard labour, by  
Lieut. Commdr. G. F. Hole, the  
Marine Magistrate.

Commander F. Kruse, of the  
round-the-world liner *Resolute*  
yesterday, entertained to tiffin a  
number of local business men and  
others. Opportunity was taken  
to look over the ship, and much ap-  
preciation was expressed at the  
general excellence of the accom-  
modation and service.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this  
morning, Mr. W. S. Bailey pro-  
secuted an apprentice employed by  
his shipyard, on a charge of lar-  
vency of a sheet of brass, valued  
at \$3. The defendant, who was  
seen to pick up the piece of metal  
from the ground inside the yard,  
was fined \$25, or three weeks'  
hard labour in default.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

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and Miss Phrose Dolores Quitzow,  
daughter of Captain and Mrs.  
Quitzow, of London.

The bride looked very charming  
in her dress of white georgette  
embroidered with pearls. Her  
veil, circled about her head by  
orange blossoms, was long and of  
georgette—this, it is whispered,  
is the latest at home and is ex-  
pected to have a successful vogue.

A beautiful shower bouquet of  
white roses and sweet peas, inter-  
mingled with maidenhair fern,  
was carried by the bride. Two  
little boys, Rolfe Langhammer and  
Mrs. Lammert's youngest son,  
Gerald, were page to the bride  
and, dressed in white satin Elizabethan  
costumes with buckled shoes, gave an old-world touch to  
the scene.

Mrs. Wyndham Law, the wife of  
the Deputy Commissioner of Customs  
residing in Hongkong, acted as  
Matron-of-Honour and she looked  
extremely charming in a pale-peach  
crepe-de-chine dress, the  
feature of which was a wide silk  
fringe over the skirt.

Mrs. Lammert, the bride's mother-in-law,  
was beautifully dressed in champagne georgette,  
all to blend.

Mr. Charles Lammert gave the  
bride away and the bridegroom's  
brother, Mr. F. E. Weatherston  
Lammert, acted as best man.

The Rev. C. L. Blanchett con-  
ducted the service and he delivered  
a few exceeding well-chosen  
words. The Church was tastefully  
decorated with palms and mar-  
garitas, the sweet simplicity of  
which was heightened by sunlight  
filtering in through the windows.

From the vestry the bridal party  
slowly walked down the aisle,  
to the Wedding March by Mendel-  
sohn, and at the porch pink  
rose-petals were showered on the  
bride and bridegroom. The party  
then walked over to Mr. and Mrs.  
Lammert's residence, where the  
reception was held.

The reception, very international  
in character, was well attended  
and there was a joyous atmos-  
phere permeating the gathering,  
which was fitting to the occasion.  
At 2.30 p.m. the happy couple left  
for Connaught steps, accompanied  
by a large party of friends shower-  
ing them with rice. The Customs  
launched, kindly lent for the occasion  
by Mr. R. F. C. Hedges, the  
Commissioner, conveyed Mr.  
and Mrs. T. O. Lammert to their  
steamer.

The wedding-presents were ex-  
ceedingly numerous.

FORMER CANTON  
OFFICER.ARRESTED WITH LOADED  
PISTOL.

Waterfront searchers made an  
interesting arrest at the Praya  
West yesterday afternoon.

A Chinese was stopped near  
one of the West River wharves by  
a Chinese Revenue searcher, and  
when searched, a fully-loaded  
pistol was found on him. He was  
taken back to his room at the  
Great Eastern Hotel, where  
another search was made and cer-  
tain papers were seized.

The arrested man admitted that  
he was at one time a Cantonese  
Army officer, but was now without  
a position. He is being detained  
to await a charge to be brought  
before the Magistrate.

While searching the passengers'  
cabins aboard the President  
Pierce yesterday, police officers  
arrested a Chinese passenger who  
was found to be in possession of  
two Smith and Wesson revolvers  
and seven rounds of ammunition.

## PRESIDENT BOAT.

## NOT STRUCK BY BULLETS.

Reports that bullets from guns  
in the hands of Chinese soldiers  
had struck the Dollar liner President  
Hayes, were denied last  
Thursday by officials of the Dollar  
Steamship Co. in Shanghai.

According to the reports, the  
vessel, which was lying at the  
Dollar Wharf, Pootung, was be-  
tween two fires, troops on one side  
of the river firing at soldiers on  
the opposite side. It was at first  
stated that the President Hayes  
was riddled with bullets.

No bullets struck the vessel, it  
was stated by Mr. Cokely,  
General Manager of the Dollar  
Line in Shanghai. Mr. Cokely  
said that it had been reported to  
him that there was some firing on  
the Shanghai side of the river, but  
that the President Hayes was not  
damaged.

"Wonderful things statistics,"  
said one man to another. "You  
know, every time I breathe a man  
dies."

"Great Scott," said his companion.  
"Why don't you chew, boys  
or something?"

Brown: "I say, major, you re-  
member telling me you had hunted  
tigers in West Africa? Well,  
Captain Smith tells me there are  
no tigers there."

The Major: "Quite right, quite  
right, killed 'em all."

In a hotel at Partenkirchen,  
Bavaria, a placard announces in  
large letters, "Tourists under-  
taking to climb the higher moun-  
tain peaks are respectively re-  
quested to settle their amounts in  
advance."

*The Very Idea!*

An old lady inquired of a burly  
brewer's drayman how much beer  
he usually consumed in the course  
of the day.

"Well, mum," he replied, "it's  
a bit 'ard to say. It's different like  
on different days. Sometimes I  
might 'ave thirty 'arf pints and  
sometimes I might 'ave forty 'arf  
pints—and sometimes I 'as a lot!"

"Hey, father, build the bed-  
room fire!"  
He heard the good wife  
shout.  
The wood and coal were then  
put in.  
Though he was much put  
out."

The police of Budapest have de-  
cided that the wearing of "nude"  
or flesh-coloured stockings is con-  
trary to the new regulations issued  
by the Ministry of the Interior,  
which are intended to ensure that  
nothing shall be seen in the streets  
or public places that is shocking to  
modesty or the sense of propriety.

A raid was made on girls leaving  
a fashionable school in Budapest,  
and those who wore light-coloured  
stockings had their names taken,  
and were warned that if they  
offended again they would be  
punished. Girls whose skirts did  
not cover their knees also received  
a warning, and were sent home,  
presumably to lengthen them.

Older women were submitted to  
the same treatment, and men were  
warned that no swearing in public  
places would be allowed.

A meeting of teachers and pro-  
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## DISARMAMENT.

## DRAFT CONVENTION REJECTED.

Genoa, March 28.  
The Preparatory Disarmament Committee has discussed the limitation of land forces.

Viscount Sato declared that he was unable to agree with the British draft convention because it would be most difficult to change the present military system of Japan.

M. De Brouckere (Belgium) advocated shortening the term of military service and a reduction of military expenditure.

M. Paul Boncour (France) stressed the limitation of expenditure.

Mr. Gibson said the United States had already reduced her land forces and he favoured regional agreements.

Lord Cecil regretted he was unable to persuade M. Paul Boncour, M. De Brouckere and Viscount Sato to agree with the British view, but he would not persist in view of the necessity for unanimity.—Reuters.

## Lord Cecil Explains.

London, Mar. 28.

Following speeches made by the French and Belgian delegates at to-day's meeting in Geneva of the Preparatory Commission for the Disarmament Conference, Lord Cecil said he recognised that his arguments had failed: The French and Belgian delegates had maintained the position that it was impossible to limit the number of annual contingents and that the nations represented needed to train their whole manhood.

Lord Cecil, in reply, said he advocated the limitation of numbers and the limitation of the period of service.

Some delegates had adopted the view that it was impossible to limit the annual contingent and that it was unthinkable that a system of ballot should be introduced. But he understood that in a system of conscription there was a standard by which certain numbers were rejected and, if it was desired to reduce the contingent, all that was necessary was to raise the qualifications. He understood that before the war, the German Government only recruited 60 per cent. of their annual contingent. According to the Belgian representative, States required the whole of their population for the defence of their country.

If that were so, that was the end of the argument and there was no point in discussing methods of limitation.

Lord Cecil concluded by saying that he had done his best and he recognised he had failed. He had not succeeded in shaking the convictions of any of those who supported the opposite thesis. The Committee could settle nothing except by unanimity. He could not impose his ideas on the rest and it was evidently useless for him to persist in attempting to establish his point of view, though he still maintained that it was right.—British Wireless.

## LABOUR DEMANDS.

## BY NANYANG TOBACCO WORKERS.

A list of seventeen demands has been presented to the Directorate of the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Company by their Hongkong operatives who were thrown out of employment by the recent closing down of all their mills in Hongkong.

The two chief directors have come down to Hongkong from Shanghai to consider the local situation, and have held a number of meetings, but there has been no official contact established with the labourers' representatives as yet.

As published in the Chinese papers, the list of demands presented by the operatives includes reinstatement and a voice in the employment and dismissal of workers.

It is learned that the annual meeting of the Nanyang Company takes place at Shanghai on the 21st April.

When seen by a *Telegraph* reporter this morning with regard to the above report, Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton, who is legal representative here of the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Company, said he was empowered to state that only 17 demands had been made by the workmen, and that these will be considered by the Directors at a meeting to be held within the course of the next few days.

Mr. Hall Bruton reiterated that the workmen were on the most friendly terms with the Company when they left employment, with an extra month's wages paid to them as a gratuity.

New machinery is being installed at the local plant, which will resume operations as soon as practicable.

## OPIUM LABELS.

## IMPORTANT POINT RAISED IN COURT.

## MAGISTRATE'S DOUBTS.

The question as to whether the Court could presume an offence of attaching Government opium labels to illicit opium pots by reason of possession of the labels resulted in an argument on the point involved between Mr. R. E. Lindsell and Mr. D. McCallum at the Central Magistracy this morning.

A Chinese was charged with unlawful possession of 2.5 mace of illicit opium, and he was also charged under Section 17 of Ordinance 30 of 1923 with being in possession of three Government opium labels without lawful authority or excuse. Mr. McCallum was for the defence and admitted the first charge.

Section 17 deals with the removal of labels from Government opium pots, with the intention of preventing them being attached to illicit opium pots, and the question argued was whether, because the defendant was found in possession of the labels, and admitted it, the presumption could be drawn that they were to be affixed to pots containing illicit opium.

Mr. McCallum contended that such a presumption could not be raised until an offence had been committed and then it would have to be proved. He added that he had a reasonable explanation to offer.

Revenue Officer's Evidence.

Senior Revenue Officer G. Watt said that on March 26th, at four o'clock in the afternoon, he entered a house at 320, Des Voeux Road, West, where he found the defendant sitting on a bed in a front cubicle. There were some scales in a case. In a cupboard was found a handkerchief in which were wrapped up three Government opium labels, and in another drawer was found four pots containing the usual amount of Government opium with no labels attached.

Mr. McCallum said he did not know what that evidence had to do with the charge.

His Worship (to witness):—Had these pots any labels?

Witness:—No, but they contained Government opium.

His Worship remarked that that seemed to be quite harmless, but he would hear the rest, as it might have a bearing on the case later.

Continuing, witness said he found another pot of illicit prepared opium in a washstand cupboard. The defendant claimed the pots and labels. He did not give an explanation as to the labels and was not asked for one.

His Worship:—In the Colony do I understand that there is a considerable sale of illicit opium in pots to which Government labels have been attached?

Mr. McCallum:—Object to the question because it is purely a matter of opinion so far as the Inspector's knowledge goes. Presumably he is in a position to know, but I object to the question.

## Not Fair.

Mr. Lindsell:—Why do you object to the question?

Mr. McCallum:—Because I don't think it is a fair sort of question to ask.

Mr. Lindsell:—Why not?

Mr. McCallum:—Because here you have a man charged with being in possession of something of which he is entitled to be in possession of, and that question is going to raise a lot of presumption without your being in the slightest position to prove that presumably he had obtained that something for an unlawful purpose.

After referring to the section, Mr. Lindsell, speaking to witness, said there was apparently no presumption under that section.

Witness replied in the negative.

His Worship:—Unless there is a presumption that the mere possession throws the onus on the defence, the prosecution has got to prove that he cannot give a reasonable explanation.

Witness:—He did not give an explanation.

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Referring to the labels, Mr. McCallum said presumably they were cancelled. Presumably the Government knew the duty had been paid.

His Worship:—There is no question of duty being paid. The Government puts these labels on their own pots of opium.

## Government's Duty.

Mr. McCallum replied that it was for the Government to issue the labels in such a way—and presumably they were so issued—that once they were sold to a private person they became the property of that person. If he showed they were in his possession as a private person, because he had bought and paid for them, why, he asked, should he not do as he liked with them? If he committed an offence

## NO LICENCE.

## WINE SHOP PROPRIETOR FINED.

The owner of a wine shop in Lai Chi Kok appeared with his wife before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on charges of selling dutiable liquor without licence and with storing dutiable liquor in unlicensed premises. A coolie, who was arrested during the revenue officers' visit to the shop, was charged with purchasing spirits from an unlicensed vendor.

The first defendant admitted both charges, the wife denying all responsibility.

The prosecution accepted the plea and the woman was discharged. Revenue Officer Powell stated that he was not pressing the charge against the coolie, as he was merely detained because he purchased some wine while the officers were in the shop.

Revenue Officer Powell said he was instructed to state that the Department regarded the case in a serious light, as illicit trading in wines was becoming a recognised trade and the Government was being defrauded of considerable sums of revenue.

Asked to what extent the Government were defrauded in this case, Revenue Officer Powell said the wine was quoted at \$2.80 per jar, whereas the duty alone was \$4.40.

The defendant was fined \$100 on each charge.

## FAILED TO STOP.

## WHY MOTORIST DROVE ON.

The driver of motor car No. 372 was charged before Major C. Williamson this morning with failing to stop after an accident.

In outlining the case against the defendant, Inspector Alexander said that the accident took place near the Wing Lok Wharf at 7.45 p.m. on the 21st instant. Defendant was on the proper side of the road and there was no indication of speeding. Instead of stopping to pick up the small boy whom he knocked down, defendant went straight on and drove to the Police Station.

His Worship told defendant that he should have stopped to pick up the boy as a minute or two might have cost the lad his life. He asked the defendant how he would feel if the position were reversed and he was struck by a motor car the driver of which did not stop to help.

Defendant said he was afraid of the crowd assaulting him.

Inspector Alexander explained that there was a policeman on-point duty there at the time and defendant had nothing to fear.

A fine of \$15 was imposed. The question of compensation to the injured boy was left over, defendant agreeing to pay whenever called upon to do so.

The boy is at present in hospital with a fractured leg and is not expected to come out for another six weeks.

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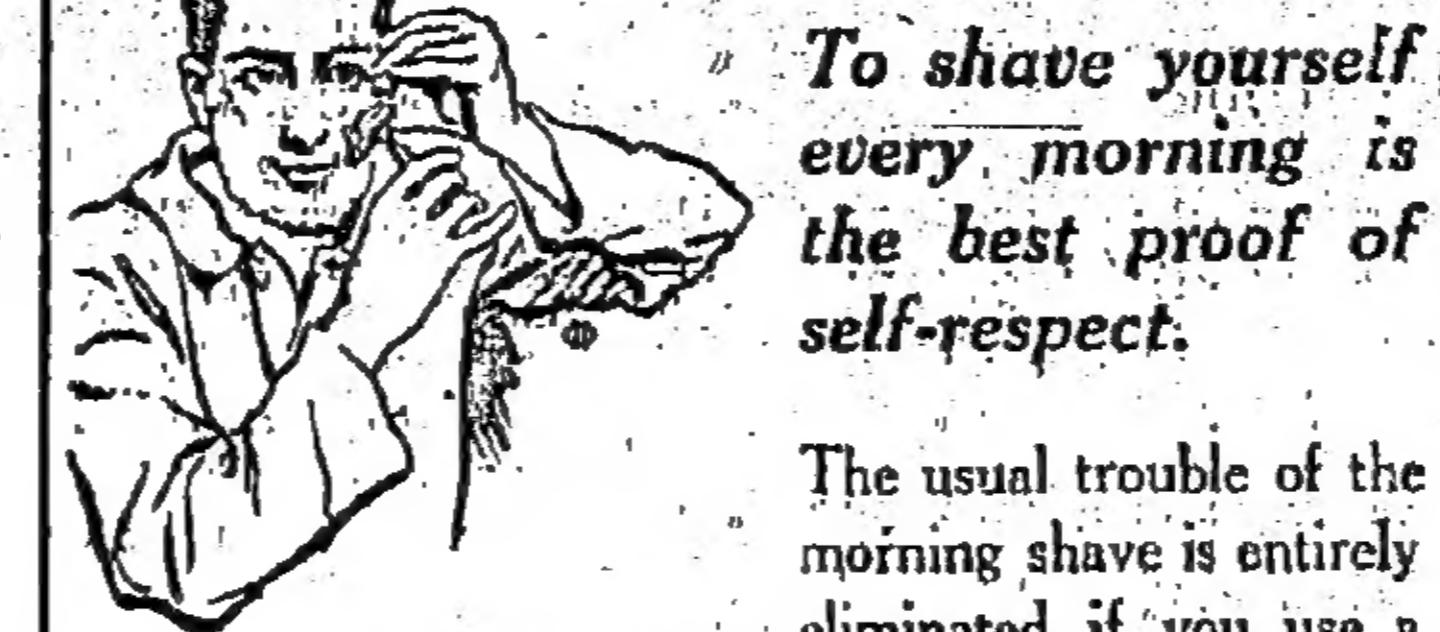
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## Proof Needed.

Mr. Lindsell remarked that as he saw the matter, there must be some proof in the absence of lawful authority or excuse. He thought the defendant should have been given a chance to explain the position. He would like further time to consider the point as it was of considerable importance to the imports and exports Office.

Mr. McCallum:—And I take it of equal importance to the public. The Legislature makes laws which the most innocent can infringe quite innocently, and accordingly they must be construed very strictly, especially if they are drawn in a loose way.

His Worship intimated he would give a decision on the point at noon on Thursday.

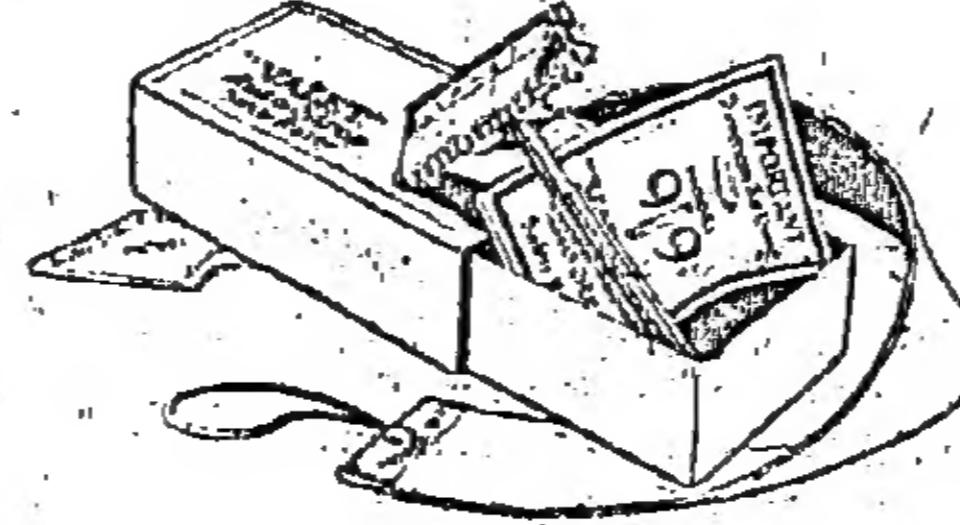


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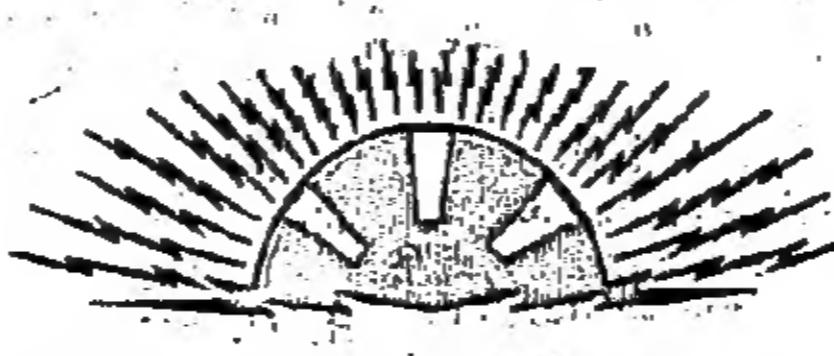
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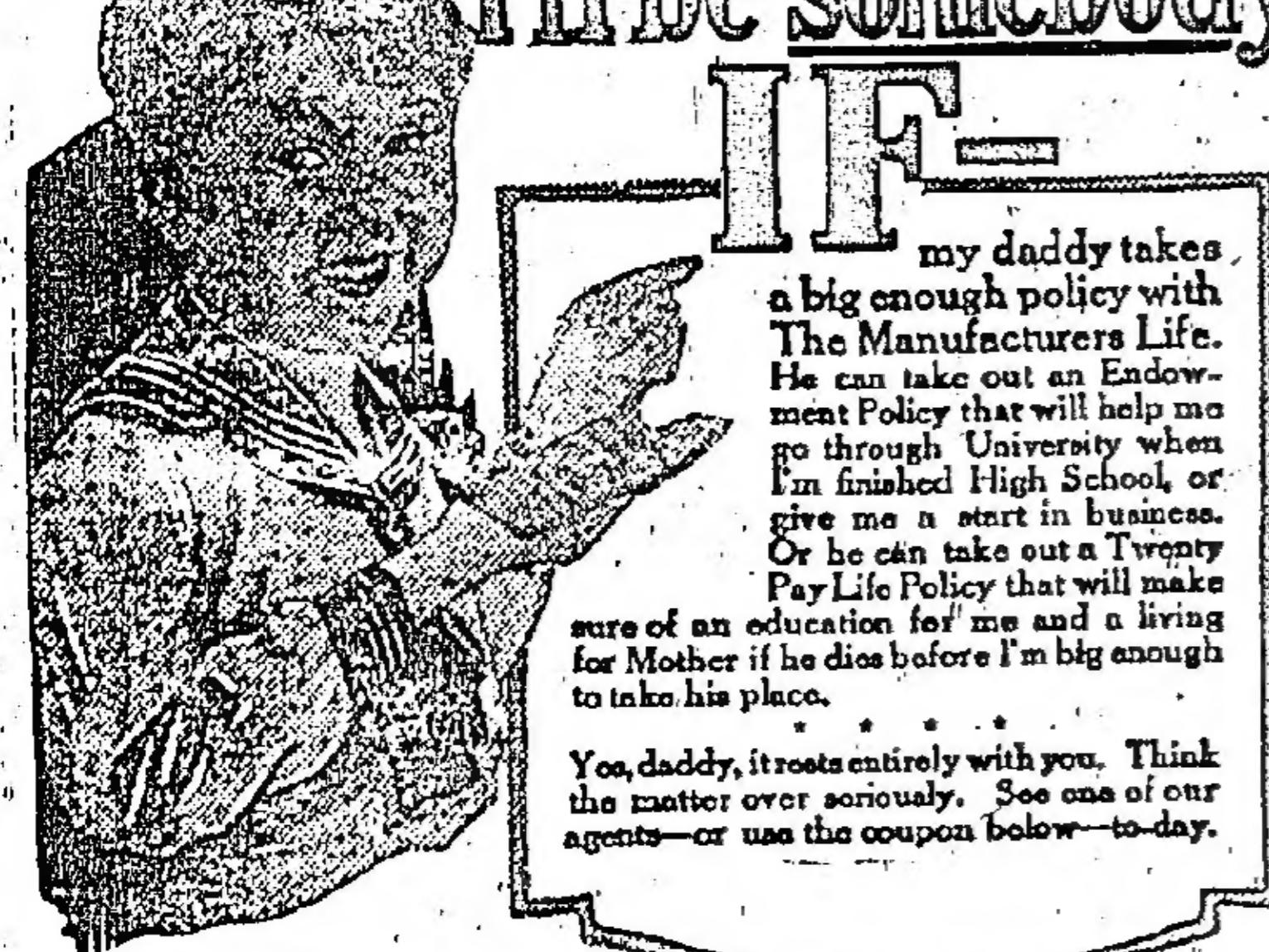
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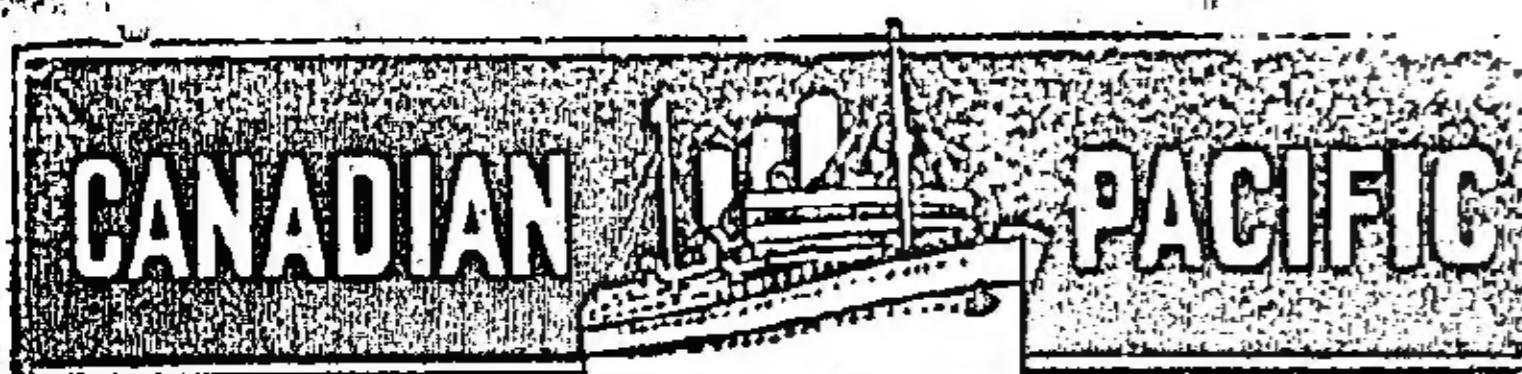
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## CANTON STRIKE.

## MORE UNIVERSITY TROUBLE.

## MATTER FOR NEW YORK.

The members of the Lingnam (Canton Christian College) Chinese Junior Staff Union have been on strike since last Friday morning. All the places where they have been working are either securely locked up or sealed with strips of paper bearing the seal of the Union. Pickets are seen everywhere on the University campus, more or less guarding the places lest some one should violate their rules of strike. Banners and flags are placed in front of the Union headquarters which is on the campus. Paper banners bearing all sorts of inscriptions, such as "Down with All the Running Dogs of the University," "Support the Nationalist Government," etc., are posted on the University grounds.

## Forced to Stop Work.

The rooms where the University agricultural implements are kept are also locked up by the strikers, so that the manual workers, who do not belong to the Junior Staff Union, should not work. Some sixty or seventy of the labourers were thus forced to stop work on account of their being unable to get picks, shovels, wheel-barrows, etc. The strike is the result of a lengthy series of demands made by the Junior Staff Union. These cover an immense variety of points, involving Union control of the University, and after a two-days' attempt by the Canton Department of Labour to adjust matters the matter was dismissed by the latter which found it impossible to effect an amicable settlement.

## Attitude of University.

In an interview with a representative of the *Canton Gazette*, Dr. O. F. Wisner, acting president of the University, stated that he had no authority to grant the demands, for granting would mean an alteration of the nature and character of the institution. Acceptance of such extraordinary demands rests with the Board of Trustees which is in New York, he further said.

The Lingnam Chinese Staff Association, an organization of the Chinese teachers and clerical workers of the University, had issued a declaration criticising the demands of the Staff Union as being unwise. Acceptance of these demands, stated the declaration, would impair the transference of the University to Chinese control, which is to take place on August 1 of this year.

## Chinese Control.

The declaration points out that the Lingnam Chinese Staff Association would continue to support the resolution of the Association, which was passed on December 9, 1926. This resolution supports Mr. Chung Wing-kwong, associate president of the University, in his advocacy of Government registration of the University. When the new Board of Directors, composed predominantly of Chinese, is making every effort to have Lingnam transferred to Chinese control, to regain the educational right, and to run the University in direct accordance with the regulations of the Government, the Junior Staff Union should not present the University with such far-reaching demands, states the declaration.

So far the Lingnam Labour Union has expressed no sympathy with the strikers. Excepting those who are forced to stop work on account of their working tools being locked up by the strikers, the members of the University Labour Union are working as usual.

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(Continued from Page 1.)

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The Green Howards are coming from camp at Fapiling to-morrow morning, and will proceed to embark almost immediately. H.M.S. *Stirling* left for Amoy yesterday, accompanied by the submarines *L1* and *L5*. It is reported that all warship crews have been ordered to stand by, but on enquiry this morning we were informed that no orders concerning their future movements have yet been received.

It is reported that H.M.S. *Ambrose* will sail for Amoy to-morrow.

## BRITISH PROTESTS.

Sequel to Nanking Outrages.

London, Mar. 28. Speaking in the House of Commons on the subject of the outrages at Nanking, Sir Austen Chamberlain stated that Mr. Teichman, the British representative at Hankow saw Mr. Eugene Chen, the Nationalist Foreign Minister, on March 25th, and again on March 26th, and lodged with him the strongest possible protest against the unprecedented outrages, reported to be the work of soldiers of the Nationalist armies.—*British Wireless*.

## WATCHFUL CABINET.

Special Meeting Yesterday.

London, Mar. 28, 5.35 p.m. Before proceeding to Chequers on Saturday, Mr. Stanley Baldwin warned his colleagues that the situation in China would probably necessitate a special Cabinet meeting to-day. Messages since received by the Admiralty from the Yangtze were communicated to Mr. Baldwin yesterday, and the Cabinet sat for two hours to-day.—*Reuter*.

## NO TRUST IN PROMISES.

Judging by Performances.

London, Mar. 28, 4.35 p.m. Answering questions in the House of Commons, Sir Austen Chamberlain detailed the events in Nanking, and the Conservative members of the House cheered his emphatic declaration that it was the timely action by the warships that alone saved the lives of British and American citizens.

Replying to Mr. E. Thurtle (Labour), who drew attention to the statement of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek that the looting and outrages were committed by Northern troops, Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that information from British and American sources was to the contrary.

Replying to Mr. H. W. Looker (Cons.), Sir Austen Chamberlain said that in the anarchical conditions prevailing at present in many parts of China it was impossible to say that we could safely rely on Chinese guarantees for the safety of the British. "We must watch what happens and judge not according to the professions made but according to performances."

Replying to Commander Kenworthy (Labour), Sir Austen said that the question of evacuating the remainder of the British from other ports of the Yangtze Valley was being considered. He did not think it desirable that he should issue instructions from London but that the matter must be decided nearer to the spot.—*Reuter*.

## HANKOW AGREEMENT.

Final Judgment Premature.

London, March 28, 5.35 p.m. Relying to a suggestion by Sir C. Kinloch-Cooke (Cons.), that the Hankow Agreement had had no beneficial results, but rather the contrary and that the position of British residents at Hankow had become untenable, Sir Austen Chamberlain thought that Sir Kinloch-Cooke's judgment was premature. Personally, he would not at present pronounce final judgment on the results of the Hankow Agreement. "Obviously, that Agreement was signed in good faith on our part and it was signed, as we believe, in good faith by Mr. Eugene Chen. It must be judged by the results it produces."

Proceeding, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that we had dealt most liberally—one might even say in a most confiding spirit—with our own property in the British Concession at Hankow and we must be assured that the conditions were such that the Chinese authority which had been established could preserve order wherever that authority extended before we made any further surrender of British interests and property.

## The Shanghai Problem.

Commander Kenworthy (Labour) suggested that no property in Shanghai was predominantly British. Sir Austen Chamberlain, in our own interests, should consider opening negotiations immediately with the Cantonese authorities, but

Sir Austen Chamberlain, in reply, emphasised that when one was dealing with joint property, all the parties interested must be consulted.—(Ministerial cheers). One party could not dispose of property in which others had rights without communicating with them.

Replying to further questions by Labour members, Sir Austen Chamberlain pointed out that the Body primarily empowered to speak for the Powers collectively was the Diplomatic Body in Peking. He did not think it would be difficult for the Powers concerned to take steps to negotiate if there was a single Chinese authority exercising power throughout China with which they could negotiate.—*Reuter*.

SHANGHAI GOVERNMENT.

A Provisional Administration.

Civil and military administration of Shanghai by the Cantonese and their labour allies is now in force, General Pai Chung-hai, the Cantonese leader, establishing his headquarters at Linghwa yamen.

A Political Bureau has been established temporarily at the Bureau of Foreign Affairs outside West Gate, but the Bureau will move to permanent quarters at West Gate, it is reported. Following mass meetings in the city in the last two days, (says the *Shanghai Times* of Friday) a citizens' provisional government for Shanghai has been created and committees elected embracing many well-known names. The temporary office of the Government has been established at the yamen of the Shanghai City Magistrate.

The constitution of the Government is as follows: Executive Committee: Chen Yoh-sien, Hou Chou-jiu, Yang Heng-fu, Liu Chui, Wang Shao-lai, Loo Choo-noon, Huang Chou-hwa, Li Pah-chi, Heng Ching-yung, Ting Shao-sien, Loh Wen-chao, Wang Han-liang and Francis Zia.

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LATE CHINESE NEWS.

Another General's Defection.

Shanghai, March 29.

Generals Ho Ying-kam, Lai Shih-wang and Yen Chung arrived at Nanking yesterday to discuss important military and diplomatic questions with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

General Ho went to the Bureau of Foreign Affairs last night to meet Marshal Chiang.

General Pei Chung-hsi, who decided at first to leave for Nanking yesterday, has postponed his departure until this morning owing to the arrival of the generals from Nanking.

General Pei Wen-hwei's 12th Division arrived at Shanghai yesterday and is stationed in Chapei.

Mr. T. V. Soong left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday morning.

Nam Chung Pao.

Shanghai, March 29.

The Nationalists, who crossed the river from Chinkiang, captured Yangchow on Sunday.

General Chang Kuo-wei, commanding the 12th Mixed Brigade of Sun Chuan-fang's Army, has surrendered to the Nationalists and accepted the Nationalists' appointment as Commander of the 3rd Division of the 26th Army.

Nam Chung Pao.

Shanghai, March 29.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has appointed General Ching Chien as Defence Commander of Nanking.

Nam Chung Pao.

CHINESE REPORTS.

Canton Reds and Chiang.

The extremist labour organizations in Canton, including the Kwangtung branch of the Chinese Communist Party, the Workers' Congress, etc., yesterday sent out a circular telegram declaring that the Kuomintang should continue striving against the militarists till all of them are overthrown. No member of the Party should make any compromise with the Northern militarists, whilst Marshal Chiang is warned not to have further negotiations with Chang Tsao-lin.

Ordered to Front.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has sent a telegram to Canton ordering that Sun Ping-wei, the Political Director, should immediately proceed to the front.

This is said to be because Marshal Chiang recently received information to the effect that Sun is in alliance with the Red organizations in Canton and with Tang Yin-tak, and Hsu Chien in Hankow.

General Pao's New Post.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has appointed General Pei Chung-hsi, the military leader in Shanghai, as Commander of the 13th Nationalist Army. The divisions under Gen-

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